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LETTERS TO FORT ST. GEORGE 1762.

(VOLUME No. XLII.)

No. 1.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favored, since writing to you under date the 22d. October. Duplicate whereof is enclosed, with your Letters of the 5th. and 12th. October & shall duely honor the bills mentioned.

We have ordered the several articles to be provided for the West Coast as specified by you & intend freighting a proper Vessel for their Conveyance.

The Death of Mr. Henry Butler having caused a vacancy in the Chaplaincy of this Presidency We must request [you] will permit the Reverend Mr. Samuel Stavely to accept of the same till the Company's Pleasure is known, to whom we have wrote to request their approba[tion].

Enclosed We send Copy of a Paragraph in the Company's General Letter of the 13th. March 1761, relative to the Reverend Mr. John More, which you will please to communicate to him, We send also a Copy of what we have wrote to our Honble Masters in answer.

In your Letter of the 12th. October you inform us you shall have Three hundred Bales ready in February, We request you [will] let us know as soon as possible whether you would have one of the ships from [hence to] call for them, or if you purpose to dispatch home the Admiral Watson or [the Royal] George from your Presidency that we may take proper [measures accordingly].

The Hawke [was despatched the 21st. Novr.] being the first day stipulated by the Charter [party . . .] We purpose dispatching the Plassey home [the 14th. Decr. with a full cargo]. The Holdernesse is imported and [. . .] the Fox and Warren.

Being in great want of stationary and observing that the Company have not sent us any this season We request you to forward to us as much as you can spare from your own occasions.

We observe your Receipt of Pagodas from the Agent of Louis da Costa and shall accordingly debit your Presidency for that amount as we have also for the sum of sixty thousand Arcot Rupees paid to Col. Coote for his Field Expences for fifteen months in consequence of our Honble Masters directions to you, and of the Colonel's Letter on that subject whereof we send you a Copy.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants
Henry Vansittart.
P. Amyatt.
Culling Smith.
Warren Hastings.
John Johnstone.

Fort William
[7th.] December 1761.

[7th.] December 1761.

Copy of the 77th. Paragraph of the Honble Companys general Letter under the Estaolished Heads dated 13th. March 1761.

We appointed Mr. More one of our Chaplains at your Presidency and we have repeated our Orders that Mr. Butler should [go to] Fort Marlborough for which Place we originally appointed him Chaplain [. . .] surprize we find an Exchange has been made, our Orders [. . .] ratified upon the Rediculous Pretence that he can live [. . .] When the Contrary is notorious, he and all others in his [. . .] with their several Allowances and if they do not reach their Expectations they must find their way home again but With respect to Mr. More We are not unacquainted with the true Motives that influenced him to the removal, this Behaviour in disobedience to our Directions with other Reasons that might be assigned have induced us to dismiss Mr. More from our Service and give orders to the President & Council of Fort Marlbro [to] send him home by the way of China or any other Conveyance that may offer. If our orders are to be treated in this manner there will soon be an End to all subordination and good Government, our late Governor and Council took too many liberty's of this kind & they ought not to have Suffered [or co]nnived at this Instance in particular, Which as it cannot but be displeasing to us We hope from what has been said you will not tread in the like steps.

A True Copy.

Henry Goodwin
Sub Secretary.

Copy of the 10th. Paragraph of the General Letter to the Honble the Court of Directors under the Established Heads, dated the 12th. November 1761.

We communicated to Mr. Butler your Displeasure at the Exchange which was made between him and Mr. More & have transmitted to the President & Council of Fort St. George (where We understand Mr. More is at present) Copy of your Paragraph signifying your Dismission of that Gentleman from your Service. As you are pleased to consent to Mr. Butlers remaining upon this Establishment we have continued his appointment, and in Justice and Compassion to Mr. [More we cannot] help mentioning to your Honours that from [. . .] which has laid him under your Dis[pleasure . . .] that might be urged in excuse for him [. . .] an Entire Stranger to this and every other part of India, and that he was perswaded not without Difficulty by the Advice of others to engage in the imprudent step which has brought upon him and his Family so great Misforture. He is a Gentleman of a general good Character and if this apology should induce you to admit him again into your service We are perswaded he will be very careful to give you no cause of Complaint in Future.

A True Copy.

Henry Goodwin
Sub Secretary.

Copy of a Letter from Colonel Coote to the President & Council of Fort William.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.

President & Governour &ca. Council
of Fort William.

Gentlemen

I had the honor of your Letter of the 12th. Inst. with an enclosed extract of a Letter from the President and Council of Fort St. George relative to the allowances from the Honble Company for my field Expences. I am much obliged to the Gentlemen at home for taking this affair into their consideration for as I am not allowed Contingent Money by the Government, so great an Expence falling on my private Fortune would be more than I possibly could bear. Being at a much greater expence upon the Coast, than any Officer before

me, or ℔ haps may be hereafter. As I had the [most part] of the time under my Command six Corps of Officers, exclusive of the [French] Prisoners, I was constantly obliged to entertain and [. . . .] on the Road.

As I cannot be particular in regard to the Acc^{ts}. of the Monthly Expences (which I ordered to be kept) on Account of the Death of Cap^{t}. Ingram at which time they were either lost or mislaid; I therefore am obliged to throw them into one Charge of four thousand Rupees ℔ Month which You Gentlemen who are certainly well acquainted with the nature of the service must be sensible is much less than has been laid out. According to which Calculation my Change is AR^{s}. Sixty thousand, being in the field fifteen months Viz^{t}. from the 12th of Nov^{r}. 1759 to the 12th. Febry. 1761 for the Payment of which you will be pleased to give your Orders, I have the honour to be with great Esteem

GENTLEMEN
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble Servant
EYRE COOTE.

GHYROTTEE
OCT^{R}. 30TH. 1761.

A TRUE COPY

HENRY GOODWIN
Sub Secretary.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Symmonds to the President and Council of Fort William concerning the Loss of the Fattee Salam.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Agreable to your Orders received from M^{r}. Williamson your Secretary, the following is the most perfect account I can give of the loss of the Fattee Salam.

Having received the Orders of the President and Council of Madrass on the 26th. of August I proceeded to Sea with the ship, at this time the Water the Ship made amounted to the use of [one] pump every two hours or thereabouts, but as the ship got to Sea to the [. . .] Gale and a very confused Sea that made her labour [. . .] the Water to the use of one Pump entirely and some [. . .] the ship make this Water, I ordered every thing about the Masts and Rigging down to ease the ship and in the Evening of the 27th. I got Major Gordon to order a few soldiers to relieve the Lascars at the pumps, they had not done it long before the ship was cleared and the second pump laid by, and I then ordered the officers not to let the ship gain, but if she increased to set the Pump to work again these were the orders of the Night; during the Night the Ship laboured greatly and in the morning on my coming on Deck and asking the Officer what Water was in the ship, he told me 18 Inches, which surprized me as I beleive she must have been neglected, about this time the sea was very confused, and the Yaul which hung on the Quarter as high as the Mizen Chains was washed away and the People at the same time called from the Main top, the Main topmast was sprung, the Main Topsail was immediately taken in to save the Mast, the ship increasing her Water all the Pumps were set to work and as she had increased to three feet, I ordered all the Anchors except one or two to be cut away and as many of the Guns as could be got at to be thrown overboard, likewise the Forehold to be opened and the Goods to be thrown overboard as I was apprehensive the Leak was forward about the Bows. Finding we did not gain with all the Pumps going I ordered to bale at the Main Hatchway, while the Pumps worked We held our own but as they frequently Choaked the ship gained, and the third officer who had been placed in the Well came frequently to acquaint me the ship gained fast, and that there was a great deal of Water in the Ship. I asked the Chief Mates opinion as to the Ship, he declared he looked upon her gone, which I have heared the second

Mate should also say, but this I did not hear myself, [. . .] for the Land with the Advice of the Chief Mate, but the more we haul'd [. . .] it was we tryed her on the other Tact but all the same The after [. . .]thing that came to hand to be thrown overboard, but it had very little or no Effect, as the People became confused. As the ship appeared to be inevitably [*sic*] gone I ordered the Pinnace off the Booms, but they did not get her out; the Long Boat being almost full of People and everything in this situation I was apprehensive the Boat would be cut away, and was the Reason I took to the Boat sooner than I otherwise should have done.

After quitting the ship (which I was desirous of laying by but the whole in the Boat opposed it least they should fire from the Ship) We drove some Distance; the ship thin [*sic*] appeared to me ungovernable, the Boat being put before the Wind by the Voice of every Body in her, we soon after saw the Foremast and Main topmast of the ship gone her Head then laying in shore.

The Lattitude as well as I can judge by reckoning was 15°. 10″ or 20 N°. and about 2 Degrees to the Eastward of Madrass.

I am

GENTLEMEN

CALCUTTA
9TH. NOVR. 1761.

Your most obedient Hble. Servant
DAVID SIMMONDS.

N.B.—It was about Noon Captain Simmonds quitted the ship and about four in the afternoon, they lost sight of her.

N°. 2.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Agreable to your Directions I am endeavouring to procure Musters of the different [sorts of cloth which] were formerly provided for the Company [. . .] them in a few days and will send them to you with my remarks thereon.

I have viewed the Washing Godowns & Choultrys at Bandipollam, and have made an Estimate thereof, they may be repaired and put in as good a Condition as they were formerly for about four hundred (400) Pagodas, which if you approve of, shall be glad to have your Orders as soon as possible as they will take some Months to finish.

There are many Articles remaining at Pondicherry which will be of great service to this Place, beg you will give me permission to take from thence what I may want.

The following are what is absolutely Necessary for the use of this Place.

FOR THE GARRISON.

1	Quarter Master Serjeant ..	@ 4 Pags. ℔ Month.
1	Tindall	2½.
12	Lascars	2 each.
1	Moochy	2.
2	Tochies [s'c]	fas. 16 ea.
3	Sweepers	20 ea.
10	Water Women	24 ea.
30	Measures of Oil at 12 Meas. for a Pagoda	5 — —.

FOR THE HOSPITAL.

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Here are between fifty and sixty French Prisoners and no proper Prison for them, they are confined in a House which is very inconvenient, as they require a strong Guard over them, and makes the Duty hard for the small Number of Men in Garrison, shall therefore be glad to have your Orders to remove them to Madrass or to some of the Out Garrisons.

The Enclosed Indents are much wanted at this Place, which I hope you will order to be complied with.

I am with Respect

CUDDALORE
5TH. JANUARY 1762.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servant
CHARLES TURNER.

N°. 3.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Favor of the 28th. November with the Inclosed Extract from the Minutes of Consultation, and shall as far as in me lies regulate the transactions at this Settlement agreeable thereto, at the same time I hope your Honor &ca. will pardon me if induced by the necessity I am sensible there is for a further Allowance to the Gun Peons (to enable them to maintain their Familys I take the Liberty to request the favor you will permit me to Increase the Pay of each [Half or] at least [a Quarter] of a Rupee Monthly. I am likewise to hope you will [permit] me to retain the Packers in pay, because if I discharge [them they will go] elsewhere to seek for a livelihood, and perhaps not have the Inclination to return when their assistance cannot be dispensed with in carrying on an Investment.

In obedience to the Minutes of Consultn. respecting the sending up the Serjeants Corporals, Drummers and Matrosses, I have shipp'd as many of them as I could on the Ann snow as ℔ List Inclosed, one of the Serjeants who is sickly and a private Matross go likewise on the Seahorse Schooner, the remainder which I likewise inclose a List of are all English and Germans, men well behaved & whom I put the greatest Confidence in, as they have most of them Wives brought up in this Place, and have quitted the Country Service with disgust, whereas the Men you may think proper to send me from Madrass, not being acquainted with the nature of the Country service, and hearing the Extraordinary Pay the Rajah allowes, part of them may be gained upon by his Emissarys (which are always ready upon these Occasions) to desert, for these reasons and because they took service in Condition of not being sent elsewhere, I hope your Honor &ca. will be pleased to let them remain here either as Train or Military, and be incorporated with such as you may judge proper to send me to make up my Compliment, to Command which I hope you will think it expedient to send a Commission'd Officer who will be of the greatest Service on any emergency which I know not how soon may happen as the Country is already so much alarmed (on account of the Rajahs having received advice that a Body of Marattas is preparing to March into the Country) that it has nearly put an entire stop to the Inland Trade.

Ten of the Military which were landed from [the Leopard] Snow come likewise by this Conveyance, the other two have deserted, as have likewise Five belonging to this Place.

Having very Ill Health I should be obliged to your Honour &c^{a}. for an Assistant, and should esteem it as a particular favor if you would permit M^{r} Calland to be the Person.

The Wares and Stores which I indented for last Year at least such part of them as you shall judge necessary for the service of this Settlement, I hope you'll be pleased to send me as early as possible, particularly some stationary of which I have scarce any to use.

I enclose your Honor &c^{a}. the Journal Parcels & Cash Account for last Month, and am with the greatest Esteem

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient & most Obliged
Humble Servant
THO : HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 31ST. DEC^{R}. 1761.

No. 4.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In our last dated the 7th. December We acquainted you of the arrival of the Holdernesse, We have now the pleasure to advise you that the Fox and Warren have likewise safely imported as well as our Honble Masters Snow Syren.

By these conveyanc[s] We have [received] your several favors of the 23, 25, 26 & 27 October [. . .] likewise the several Consignments of Red Wood.

The Plassey was dispatched from Ingellee for Europe the 28th. Ultimo and We hope the Holdernesse will be fully laden by the end of this Month. The Warren shall also have her full lading but shall be directed to call at Madras & as we shall furnish you with one hundred Tons of Saltpetre over & above the Warrens Cargo it will be in your power either to unlade from the Warren so many Tons of Salt Petre as will enable her to take in the Bales you may have ready, or to dispatch her immediately for Europe without making any alteration in her Cargo and to send your bales with the other hundred Tons of Salt Petre by the Admiral Watson or Royal George.

In consequence of your proposal to our Select Committee We have destined the Fox for a Voyage to the French Islands, but as she will be early enough in the Season to admit of her Calling at Madras & Bencoolen We purpose to dispatch her first to You. We shall lade on her a quantity of Rice and Pease with the Gunnies and other Articles necessary for the supply of the West Coast & the Artificers We have entertained for their Service We shall send on her. We shall lade on her likewise the Provisions for His Majestys Squadron, the Cloathing for the Companies of Royal Artillery the Chest of Gold for Col^{l}. Drapers Regiment & the Coral Consignments which came on the Plassey with such articles of your Indent of the 5th. Oct^{r}. as are in our Warehouse.

We received into our Warehouse last year twenty seven Cases of Cloathing consigned by the Agent for cloathing at Madras for the use of the Military here, but upon examination We find [that they] are all suited to the Uniform of your Troops, and will not answer for ours, for which reason, We shall return them on the Fox & as all these are Articles that may be kept at hand, that ship need not meet with any detention at Madras, but may be forwarded immediately to Bencoolen where the Gentlemen may take out what part of the Provisions may be necessary & dispatch her with the rest to the French Islands.

The Broad Cloth consigned to You on the Plassey We intend to dispose of here as We have received but a small quantity and believe it will meet with an advantageous sale. The Copper & Lead We shall send you on freight as well as the hundred Tons of Salt Petre beforementioned and the three hundred Candies of Jaggree you wrote for, as the putting them on board the Fox would occasion too long a detention at Madras, & to lade them on the Warren would break in upon her Europe Cargo.

We mentioned in our last the Death of Mr. Butler & We have since had the misfortune to lose our other Chaplain Mr. Cape. If Mr. More is yet at Fort St. George & is inclined to come down to Bengal We will venture to restore him to his station here till the Company's Pleasure shall be signified to Us in answer to what we wrote in his favor by the Hawke.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
CULLING SMITH.
WARREN HASTINGS.
JOHN [JOHNSTONE.]

FORT WILLIAM
1ST. JANUARY 1762.

N°. 5.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In consequence of what We wrote you under date the 1st. Instant, We have laden on the Fort St. George Captain Holford three thousand Maunds of Petre, as ℔ Invoice and bill of Lading enclosed amounting to C.Rs. 16800 – – Freight for the same being paid.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Hble. Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
CULLING SMITH.
WARREN HASTINGS.
JOHN JOHNSTONE.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 8TH. JANUARY 1762.

N°. 6.

TO THE HONOURABLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your favors of the 10th. and 28th. Ultimo, and have the honor to transmit the accounts of this Settlement for the month of December. I have discharged all the servants above the New Establishment, and you may depend upon my putting the Company to no Expence that is not unavoidably Necessary.

The Repairs to the Buildings in the Fort of [(. . .) and the Godowns] in the Chiefs House required for the stores are all compleated. the Accounts are not yet made up, but by what I can judge the whole will not

Amount to five hundred Rupees, I have sent thither 20 Guns with their Carriages and all the Shott & Sheils, except a few left upon each Bastion, the Powder and other Stores will all be sent away in a few days, when there will only remain the Guns to be shipp'd off upon any Vessel that may touch here bound to Madrass or Bengal, and a Number of old rotten Tumbrils and Carriages, which if your Honor &c^{a}. will give me Permission shall be broke and the Iron Work sent up the first Conveyance.

The Workmen are now employed pulling down the French Factory which I hope will be compleated by the end of the Month when the Materials shall be transported to Devee.

The Boats agreeable to Your Orders shall be put up to publick sale, tho' I believe they will fetch but little as they are very Old and out of Repair, and in future the Company shall be furnished with Boats at the cheapest Rate procurable.

Conformable to your directions I have visited the several Guards and Barracks, and the different parts in the Factory House where Lamps are absolutely Necessary for the Publick officers and Servants and I find seven seers are required for one Night Expence which at 4¾ Seer ℔ Rupee will amount to Forty five Rupees ℔ Month.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
RICH^{D}. FAIRFIELD.

MASULIPATAM
4TH. JANUARY 1762.

N°. 7.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We received your favors ℔ Triton of 2^{d}. July and ℔ Pitt of the 16th. August with Invoices Bills of Lading &c^{a}. Papers inclosed in Your Packetts to Us, The Triton imported here the 29 of September And the Pitt the 17th. October last.

The Redwood ℔ those ships is not yet sold being loath to lower the Price of it here but We hope to dispose of it soon and You will Please to continue to supply Us as usual Conformable to the Companys Instructions and with any other Commodity You imagine may sell for Proffit here and for Your Information We enclose You a Price Current.

It has been a Great disappointment Your not being able to supply our Treasury with any Money. Neither have We had the hoped for supply from Bombay which makes the stock to be left with the Residents here too small to answer in full the Companys intentions of buying Teas &c^{a}. Goods at a cheaper rate during the absence of the European shipping. However as the Glorious success You have had on Your Coast & elsewhere has in a manner finished the War in India. We hope the Call for Money will be much lessned and You enabled to send large suplys [*sic*] to Canton.

We have divided the Eighty French Prisoners You sent us on Our several ships bound to Europe and here We are to remark that when Cap^{t}. Jackson had got out to sea clear of Madras He found two French Prisoners Namely Toutemou a surgeon and [a serjeant] who had gott on board clandestinely without any Order from You, however he carries them forward for England.

Inclosed you have an account of what Your Presidency stands Indebted In our Books amounting to Tales 3999–600– Which we desire You will remitt hither ℔ the first opportunity.

We are now dispatching Our first Division of Ships for Europe consisting of the Norfolk, Duke of Richmond, Triton, Neptune, Prince Henry & Pitt and the Worcester and Prince George will be dispatched as soon as possible after them.

The Princess Augusta Caernarvon and Warwick were dispatched hence for England the 2d. July. But the two former having for twelve Weeks in vain attempted to proceed by the Pitts Passage returned hither and stay to Join our first Division of ships.

Conformable to our Honble Masters Orders We now dispatch to You, Ship Royal George Capt. Nicholas Skottow Commander, the Capt. has our Orders to make all possible Expedition to Fort St. George and there to follow all such Orders as he shall Receive from the President & Council. We should have sent Her sooner but was detained by the particular service she Came hither for Inclosed you have Invoice and Bill of Lading on Her Consigned to You amounting to Tales 18955–655.

Our Honble Masters are pleased to allow Us a Commission of 5 ℔ Cent on the Produce of that Cargoe at Fort St. George and inform us that they have given You Directions to transmit to them by the first Conveyance after the Sale of the said Cargo an account of the sales that they may settle our accounts thereof according thereto. We make no doubt but you will comply with this their Order.

There are at this Port of [Canton bound] for Europe 2 Dutch I Sweed & 1 Dane and the [. . .] Ormston for Calcutta, there were designed for this Port One other Danish Ship not arrived & One Sweed which has been Wrecked to the Eastward of this Port all the People saved with forty Nine Chests of Silver, part of what she had on board all the Rest of her Silver & Her Cargo entirely lost.

The affairs here with the Government and Combination of the Merchants remain in the same situation as they were in the last Year, However We are Happy in having bought our Cargoes at considerable cheaper rates than any of the other Europeans.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
HENRY PALMER.
SAMUEL BLOUNT.
G. MANDEVILLES.
HILLARY TORRIANO.
NATHL. GARLAND.
WM. MACKENZIE.
THOS. SANDYS.
THOS. SMITH.
WILLM. ROUS.
ROBT. WHITE.
HENRY REVELL.
JOHN SEARLL.
ROBT. JOHN HARRISON.
ALEX: FRASER.

CANTON
THE 15TH. DECR. 1761.

N°. 8.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^R^.
Governor &c^A^. Council at Madras.

Gentlemen

At Malacca I was under the Necessity of borrowing [money] for the Use of my Ship and the Governor who was the only person who could lend me chose to be paid at Madrass, I therefore took the Liberty of Drawing Bill on the Governor & Council of Madrass on my owners account to the Value of One thousand Spanish Dollars which Bills I beg Gentlemen you will honour by furnishing that sum on my Owners Account as Agents to the Hoñble Company on the Respondentia Terms Mentioned in the Charter Party and of which I shall the first Opportunity give the Hoñble Court of Directors Advice. At Malacca We heard of three French Men of War being at Batavia the beginning of last October and by a Vessel that was at Bencoolen the 8^th^. of October, we learnt the Place at that time was quiet in our possession. The Cuddalore Schooner from Manilha passed Malacca the 1^st^. or 2^d^. of this Instant. The Admiral Watson was to sail a few days after the schooner but when We left Malacca which was the 20^th^. Instant she had not arrived there. The Augusta Warwick and Caernarvon left Macao for Europe July the 12^th^. 1761, we did all in our Power to go back through the Pitts Passage but being too late could not gain our point. All the ships were very near being lost Sep^t^. 4^th^. 1761 on one of the Islands in the S°. Seas in the Lattitude of 4.30 N°. and Longitude from the Island Botet Tobago Xema which lies off the southend of Formosa 9°. 26″ E^t^. Sep^t^. the 5^th^. lost Company with the Warwick, Sep^t^. the 14^th^. on Consulting with Cap^t^. Baddison we resolved to go back for China. Judging it neither safe or proffitable to either Company or Owners longer to attempt that Rout We arrived safe at Macao October 14^th^. 1761, the Augusta got there the day before us. In this Fruitless and Dangerous attempt the Augusta lost her Head and the Rails thereof Damaged her Rigging greatly and both ships were so much strained that we were obliged to have them new Caulked in Canton River. We sprung our Foremast and Bowsprit and greatly Damaged our sails and Rigging and put our owners to upwards of Two thousand Pounds Expence.

We sailed now from Canton Dec^r^. 21^st^. 1761 (in my Letter from Malacca I say the 19^th^. but that is an Error [. . .] there the Worcester Cap^t^. Hall and the Prince George Cap^t^. Ross and one Sweed one Dane and One Dutch ship all which ships were to sail about a Month after us, the Sweed lost a ship on the Pratoes last year they had on board sixty five thousand Pounds in Spanish Dollars of which they Fished up Forty nine and had an Expedition on foot to try for more Mess^rs^. Blount Garland Smith and Rous Stay Residents for the Hoñble Company in China, The Muxadabad Country ship sailed from Malacca for Bengal the 16^th^. of January 1762. The following ships are in Company bound for England Viz^t^. The Neptune Cap^t^. Purling, the Norfolk, Bonham, the Duke of Richmond Godfrey, the Princess Augusta Baddison, the Prince Henry Haggis, the Pitt Jackson & the Triton Barkley. The French ships that were at Batavia were as follows the Comte Dortois Mons^r^. Joanni of 64 Guns, the Comte Durgeirson Mons^r^. Morison a Frigate and Le Fortune a Frigate.

This Letter I send under the care of Cap^t^. Skottowe of the Royal George who I hope will soon arrive safe at Madras.

I am

Gentlemen
Your most obed^t^. Hble. Servant
Norton Hutchinson.

Ship Caernarvon
Off the Sambalongo.
in the Straits of Malacca
Janry 24^th^. 1762.

N.B.—The Governor of Malacca's name is David Boelin in whose favour I have drawn Bills on you for the aforementioned one thousand Dollars.

N°. 9.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r^.

President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort S^t^. George.

Gentlemen

I was favored with yours of the 22^d^. April which did not come to hand till some time after my arrival at Canton in China, [I therefore] could not possibly comply with your Orders to put the Treasure on board the Leopard Snow. The particular account of Expences at Malacca was sent you by M^r^. Fraser one of our Supercargoes who staid at Malacca for that Purpose. The Treasure consigned to Fort Marlbro have delivered [*sic*] to the Super Cargoes at Canton according to my orders.

I am sorry to find you censure me for not going to Madrass, when my Hoñble Masters Orders were positive and noways discretional, to go to Malacca and deliver the Bencoolen consignment there; neither was it possible for me to judge till the Goods were on shore whether the season would permit me to go to China or not, had I met with dispatch there I should have attempted my Passage late as it was.

I am

Gentlemen
Your most Obed^t^. Hble. Servant
Pinson Bonham.

Canton
13^th^. Dec^r^. 1761.

N°. 10.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r^.

President and Governor &c^a^. Council
of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote last to you by the Royal Duke, which sailed from thence the 22^d^. June 1760 since when We have received your Letters, dated the 13^th^. August, & 1^st^. November, by the ships Ajax and Shaftsbury.

It gives us great Satisfaction to find the Hoñble Companys Affairs on your Coast, have taken so favorable a Turn, and flatter Ourselves with the pleasure of hearing by your next advices to us, of the Reduction of the Enemy's principal Settlement of Pondicherry.

We request you will send for the use of this Island, Fifteen pieces of Long Cloth, of twelve Pagodas ℔ piece, Fifteen pieces of ten Pagodas ℔ piece, Thirty pieces of eight Pagodas ℔ piece, Fifteen pieces of five Pagodas ℔ piece, Fifteen pieces of four Pagodas ℔ piece, and Fifty pieces of three Pagodas ℔ piece, and the rest of the one ℔ Cent in Arrack, Rice and Paddy.

This goes by the Prince Henry, Captain Haggis by way of China, Enclosed we send you a List of the Arrival, and Departure of Ships, to and from S^t^. Helena.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants
Cha^s^. Hutchinson.
John Skottowe.
John Clark.
A. Purling.

S^t^. Helena
20^th^. April 1761.

N°. 11.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favored with your Letter of the 19th. October, & congratulate you on the safe arrival of all the ships for your side of India.

We are glad to observe you were taking measures for reestablishing Our Honble Masters affairs of the West Coast of Sumatra, & hope Mr. Ardley will soon be able to effect it.

All the Information in our Power shall be given by the first Ship dispatched home from hence, in regard to the Effects of Lieutenant John Ray.

Our Honble Masters ship Royal Captain imported here Yesterday from England whence she sailed the 26th. May in Company with the Boscawen, True Briton, Calcutta, Earl of Elgin & Norfolk, which ships she parted with, the beginning of September, a few Days after they left Rio De Janeiro, the Shaftsbury, Harcourt, & Stormont, arrived in England just before they sailed.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants
Cha: Crommelin.
J. Spencer.
Chas. Waters.
Robert Holford.
Samuel Court.

Bombay Castle
The 2d. January 1762.

N°. 12.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter of the 27th. Ultimo, and shall immediately set about repairing the Washing Godown and Choultrys at Bandipollam.

Agreable to your directions I have sent a Conicoply to Pondichery to take Charge of what may be remaining there, an Exact account shall be kept and a valuation put on them of which you shall be acquainted, a Gunner shall be sent to survey the Gunpowder, and what is fit for service shall be sent to Trichinopoly.

I now send Musters of the Different sorts of Cloths which were formerly manufactured for the Company [at that place with] their Prices except the Salem which I have not yet been able to get, as soon as it arrives shall be sent you.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
February 1st. 1762.

N°. 13.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r^.
President and Governor &c^a^. Council
of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

In my last I acquainted Your Honor &c^a^. that the Country was much alarmed on account of the expected arrival of the Marattas, since which the Report has so far gathered strength that the Rajah has thought it expedient to order his dependants to be upon their guard for fear of surprize, I am therefore necessitated to acquaint your Honor &c^a^. that if they should enter the Country I am by no means in a Condition to resist any formidable attack they may make upon this Place, which it is but reasonable to think they will attempt, as the President and Council of Calcutta have long been at variance with them in the Cuttack Country & have lately set an expedition on foot entirely to root them out from thence; I therefore hope your Honor &c^a^. will be pleased to consider my situation and enable me to preserve the Place by sending a few Stores, with a small reinforcement and an officer to command them.

The Journal Parcels & Cash Account for last Month now wait on your Honor &c^a^. by which you will perceive that a small supply is wanted for the maintenance of the Settlement.

I am with the greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obed^t^. & most oblig'd Hble. Serv^t^.
Tho^s^. Heath.

[Vizaga]tam
[24^th^. Jan]uary 1762.

N°. 14.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r^.
President and Governor &c^a^. Council
at Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We now dispatch the Fox with the following Consignments to your Presidency.

Six Bales and one Bundle Containing such Articles of your Indent of Broad Cloth &c^a^. as were in our Ware House.

Gunnys & packing stuff as ℔ your Indent for which Invoice and Bill of Lading is enclosed.

Twenty Seven Cases of Military Cloathing sent here last Year by your Agent for Clothing Copy of whose Invoice is enclosed.

113 Casks of Provision for His Majestys squadron.

33 Casks of Cloathing for the Royal Company of Artillery.

A Chest of Gold for His Majestys 79^th^. Regiment.

Seven Cases of Coral.

All which were received here ℔ Ship Plassey.

Of the Stores consigned to your Presidency by that ship We have kept such Articles as we wanted here and now forward the rest ℔ Fox, Enclosed is a List of what we keep for the amount of which as well as the Broad Cloth you will please to debt us & send us an Invoice.

We have laken on this ship Sundry supplies for the West Coast and a Quantity of Rice and Pease all which we have Consigned to the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbro that they may take out such part as may be necessary for their occasions and forward the rest to the French Islands. Our Letter to the West Coast which we have left open for your Perusal will inform you of the particulars of this Consignment.

Our Letters for the Commanders of His Majestys Fleet and Army are likewise left open for your [Perusal which] you will please to forward them with the ship.

The Holderness we dispatched with a full Cargoe the 21st. Instant & the Warren we hope will leave the River by the 15th. February to call at your Presidency as before advised.

The Company of His Majestys 96th. Regt. Commanded by Capt. Hart are now embarked, We have agreed to allow Capt. Hart & his Officers as you allow the Officers on your Establishment of the same Rank & half a Rupee for each soldier.

Captain Hart His Officers & Men have received their Gratuity to the end of this Month.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. hum. Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
WARREN HASTINGS.
JOHN JOHNSTONE.

FORT WILLIAM
JANRY 25TH. 1762.

N°. 15.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Agreeable to the Orders of the Honble the Governor and Council of Fort William Dated January the 21st. and signified to me by their Secretary I repaired on board the Honble Companys Ship Fox Capt. Alexr. Hume to Dispatch her whom I found riding at Ingelee and Having Mustered her Men surveyed her Guns, ammunition &ca. find them as follows Vizt.

100 Men

26 Guns

50 Barrels of Powder

30 Rounds of Shott

Ammunition and small arms in Proportion.

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The Ship draws 18 6 forward and 18 10 abaft, the ship appears much Lumberd and in no Condition to make a good Defence against an Enemy on

which account I have protested against the Capt. and Party Owners of said ship in behalf of the Honble the United East India Company a Copy of which Protest I inclose for your Honours Inspection.

I also Inclose in Your Honor &cas. Packet the Bills of Lading for Fort St. George & Bencoolen, I wish the ship a safe and speedy Passage and am

HONOURED SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient hble. Servant
PETER CONNOR
Deputy Master Attendt.

ON BOARD THE SHIP
INGELEE THE 31ST. JANRY. 1762.

N°. 16.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received Your Favor of the 27th. Ulto. and have Executed your Orders relating to the Pay of Messrs. Dolben & Brickenden, and have given directions to have the Packers at Bandamalanka reduced to two.

I now transmit the Monthly Accounts of this settlement for January, and am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient hble. Servant
RICHD. FAIRFIELD.

MASULIPATAM
3D. FEBRUARY 1762.

N°. 17.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & WORTHY FRIENDS

The Letter you honored us with on the 9th. of December in the preceeding year has been duely received; wherein we find you are pleased to observe, that you cannot comply with our request by obliging the Executors of the late Mr. Carel Lodewyk Hagemeister to deliver up his Effects into our Hands, as affairs of that nature are regulated by a Court of Justice, to which every man may appeal for his Right; in consequence of which We have drawn up an account of such articles as Mr. Hagemeister was accountable to our Company for at the time of his Death; which we regard as an exact Certificate of our lawful demands on the said Estate, It was wrote by an authorised Attorney at Pulli-cate under the Directions of our Council residing there, to whom we expect those Executors will remitt the whole amount of Mr. Hagemeisters Estate in Goods and Money, with his Will; towards obtaining which we particularly request you will please to favor them with your assistance.

We remain with all due respect
HONBLE SIR & WORTHY FRIENDS
Your most faithful Friends & obedient Servants
CH: VAN TEYLINGEN &CA. COUNCIL.

NEGAPATAM CASTLE
JANRY. 26TH. 1762.

N°. 18.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council
of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter of the 31st. Ultimo, [&] Agreable thereto have sent all the French Prisoners to Wandewash, the Gunpowder at Pondicherry has been surveyed, the Quantity fit for service is One hundred and two Barells, containing six thousand Nine hundred and twenty four Pounds, as soon as Wax Cloth can be made, to pack them up in, shall be sent to Trichenopoly, the remainder which is Twenty Barrels containing one Thousand six hundred and Eighty Pounds is mostly Dust, and shall be sent to Madrass by the first Opportunity as it may be remade.

When the French were in Possession of this Place they distroyed all the Terrasses of the Factory House, and left the Walls standing, they are still very good, and may be easily repaired with the Materials received from Pondicherry, which I should be glad to have your Permission for to do, as also to Build a sorting and Cloth Godown, here being no Buildings for that purpose, there is a spot of Ground belonging to the Company adjacent to the Factory House, and very conveniently situated, as it is near the River.

The subsistance to the French Prisoners shall be paid, agreable to the List I have received from Mr. Dowsett.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
16th. February 1762.

N°. 19.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Madrass.

Honble Sir & Sirs

On the 19th. Ultimo we received your Favor of the 20th. November, and this serves chiefly to return the Letter that came enclosed for Captain Stevenson or Lieutenant Cotsford, they having left this [place] the 20th. October and to advise your Honor &ca. that all our Honble Masters ships for this side, except the General Lawrence, are safely arrived.

On the 8th. Instant imported here the Guardian from Bombay with William Hornby Esqr. on board to Releive the Chief in the Charge of this Settlement and who will leave this Place in two or three days for Bombay and thence for Surat.

The York Capt. Lascels from Bengal touched here yesterday and sailed in the Evening for Bombay.

Enclosed is Duplicate of our last under the 30th. November since when We have heared nothing further of the French Officers mentioned therein.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
THOS. HODGES.
WM. HORNBY.
TITUS SCOTT.
THOS. SATCHWELL.
WM. ASHBURNER.
THOMAS DAY.

TELLICHERRY
25TH. JANUARY 1762.

N°. 20.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on you with the accounts of this settlement for the Month of January.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. hble. Servant
CHARLES TURNER.

[CUDDALORE
20TH. FEBRY. 1762.]

N°. 21.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your several Favors of the 3d. 9th. & 10th. Instant and Agreable to your Orders have dispatched Overland to Mr. Heath Chief of Vizagapatam a supply of Two thousand (2000) Madrass Pagodas.

I take the Liberty to Transmit an Indent for sundrys wanted at this Settlement & beg it may be complied with as soon as possible.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servant
RICHD. FAIRFIELD.

MASULIPATAM
20TH. FEBRUARY 1762.

N°. 22.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have this day dispatched the Warren, Capt. Glover for your Presidency agreeable to the Advices, We sent you under dates the 25th. Ultimo and the 1st. Instant, Duplicate of the former has already been forwarded, and that of the latter, We now enclose, as well as our Letters to the General and his Council at

Batavia, and the West Coast both which you will please to forward by the first Opportunity.

We have advanced Capt. Hart at several times for the use of the Company of His Majestys 96th. Regiment under his Command the sum of five Thousand Four hundred Arcot Rupees, His bill on Colonel Monson for Eight hundred Arcots. We sent you in our Letter of the 3d. October, and the receipts for the other Sums We now enclose that you may recover the Amount.

We received a Representation from Mr. Senior of the Losses he sustained in a Voyage to Queda in the Helen Snow Capt. Miller, the King having detained Debts and Effects to the amount of Thirty thousand Rupees, alledging for reason that one of his Vessels had been seized and Confiscated with her Cargoe on the Coast. The Owners of the Charlotte Schooner have also demands upon the King, which he refuses to pay for the same reason, the Accounts of which are in the Hands of Dawsonne Drake Esqr. We are apprized your honor &ca. took this step at the Instance of Capt. Mackmath towards satisfying his Losses in the Snow Northumberland, but as these Disputes now affect all Traders to those parts, We think it necessary that some general Resolution should be taken either to accomodate affairs, between you and the King of Queda, if you think there is a possibility of obtaining satisfaction by that means, or else to endeavor to make Reprisals in good earnest and apply to the Commander in Chief of His Majesty's squadron for his Assistance. We request your Honor &ca. will advise us of your sentiments on this affair & in the meantime, We think that what Seizures you may make should be divided, among the several sufferers, in proportion to their Losses.

As the Warren will be late We hope your Honor &ca. will not have occasion to detain her on the Coast, she has her full Lading on board, & We enclose you under this Cover her Invoice and Account Tonnage that in Case, you should make any alteration in her Cargoe, you may note it and forward them to the Company.

As the Company's Risk in the Warren will be very great, We have requested the owners of the Shabut Jung, to take on board part of the Treasure intended for China, which they have consented to, freight free, accordingly three Lack are laden on the Shabut Jung and two Lack on the Warren.

We have laden on the Shabut Jung the Copper & Lead which was consigned to you on the Plassey. An account thereof We now enclose.

The Fox not being able to receive on board the whole Quantity of Gunnies, Rice &ca. Capt. Hume was obliged to return a part. We now enclose you an account of such part as he has returned.

We likewise inclose to your Honor &ca. the List of French Gentlemen Prisoners & Charterparty Passengers sent to Europe on the Warren. We have sent only Mr. Law and three other Gentlemen that there may be room for such others as you may think necessary to send on board.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedt. hble. Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
WARREN HASTINGS.
JOHN JOHNSTONE.
WM. HAY.

FORT WILLIAM
16TH. FEBRY. 1762.

N.B.—The Bills of Lading for the Treasure not being yet signed shall be forwarded by Warren.

N°. 23.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

As the money which We consign to You to be forwarded to China, consists of Six Sun Siccas & Sonaut Rupees (no Dollars being procurable here) We have thought necessary to specify in the Invoice, not only their Current Value in our Treasury, but their Intrinsic Worth, compared with Mexico Dollars, and Arcot Rupees, judging that such Informations may be necessary for the Supercargoes in the Disposal thereof in China.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient hble. Servants
Henry Vansittart.
P. Amyatt.
Warren Hastings.
John Johnstone.
Wm. Hay.

Fort William
15th. February 1762.

N°. 24.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since writing to you under Yesterdays Date, We learn by a Country Ship just arrived from Canton that she left that She left that [*sic*] Place the 20th. December in Company with the Caernarvon, Augusta, Pitt, Triton, Prince Henry, Richmond, Norfolk, and Neptune for Europe and Royal George for Madrass, all of them having got safe through the Streights; the Worcester & Prince George were the only Companys ships, remaining at Canton (who were to sail in January) besides two Dutch, one Danes, & one Swede Ship, the Admiral Watson was well at Manilha.

We have the Pleasure to learn likewise that the Godolphin is safely imported into Balasore Road; We shall unload her as soon as possible and dispatch Her directly to Europe with the remainder of our Investment, which We hope We shall be able to do by the beginning of April.

We have received your Letter of the 9th. Ulto. by Pattamar, and are sorry it is not in our power to comply with your request for Salt Petre, The Gentlemen at Bombay wrote us for the quantity of thirty thousand Maunds, of which We shall fall short by more than ten thousand Maunds, having barely sufficient for the Godolphin.

Enclosed We send an account of the Advances made to John Aspiner whilst at this Presidency.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient humble Servants

FORT WILLIAM,
THE 16TH. FEBRY. 1762.

HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
WARREN HASTINGS.
JOHN JOHNSTONE.
WM. HAY.

No. 25.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We did ourselves the Pleasure to address you on the 10th. Ultimo & have not since been favored with any Letters from You.

We then advised the Arrival of our Honble Masters Ships Royal Captain & Earl of Elgin & have now the satisfaction to acquaint your Honor &ca. that the True Briton, Boscawen & Calcutta have also since imported.

Major Hector Munro having since his Arrival from Tellichery, delivered us an account of sundry allowances, which he thinks himself and officers entitled to, We now enclose Copy thereof with our Paymasters Remarks & Quaries & request your Honour &ca. would lay the same before Major General Lawrence & not only transmit us his sentiments thereon, but advise us the Method your Honor &ca. pursue in the like cases, for though We are extremely sorry to trouble you so often in regard to the Allowances to His Majestys Troops, yet as we think Major Munro's Demands are really large & so greatly exceed those ordered by our Honble Masters, at the same time that We are unwilling to hurt the service by an absolute Refusal of what the Major declares is always allowed on your Coast, We desire you would be very full and explicit in your Reply & We shall then take our Measures accordingly.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient hble. Servant

BOMBAY CASTLE
[5TH. FEBRY. 1762.]

CHA: CROMMELIN &CA. COUNCIL.

No. 26.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on You with the Accounts of this Settlement for the Month of February and an Account Sale of Boats which I sold at Publick Outcry Agreeable to your Orders.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient hble Servants

MASULIPATAM
2D. MARCH 1762.

RICHD. FAIRFIELD.

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONOURABLE COMPANYS BOATS AT PUBLICK OUTCRY THE 11th JANUARY 1762.

N°. 1	...	Bar Boat	...	To Nazagapillee Veerashana	...	...	82	—	—
2	...	D°.	...	ditto	...	...	127	—	—
3	...	D°.	...	Putty Veerasha	...	...	115	—	—
4	...	D°.	...	Erram Chitty Chinneah	...	...	190	—	—
5	.	D°.	...	Dutch Resident ...	...	...	350	—	—
6	...	D°.	...	Ponnamalla Ramah ...	...	...	350	—	—
7	...	D°.	...	Naragapillee Veeranah	...	...	160	—	—
8	...	D°.	...	Ponnamalla Ramah ...	...	...	140	—	—
9	...	D°.	...	Mahomed Ally ...	...	...	192	—	—
10	...	D°.	...	Vassa Mookundoo ...	...	...	115	—	—
11	...	D°.	...	Dutch Resident ...	...	..	247	—	—
12	. .	D°.	...	Chidrala Caumiah ...	...	...	269	—	—
13	...	Charcoal Boat	...	Vassa Mookundoo ...	...	...	85	—	—
14	...	D°.	...	ditto ...	...	...	70	—	—
15	...	D°.	...	Nasagapillee Veerashana	...	...	65	—	—
16	...	D°.	...	ditto ...	...	...	42	—	—
17	...	Tonie	...	Chiram Gorrindoo ...	...	...	12	—	—
					Rupees	...	2,611	—	—

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
[RICHD. FAIRFIELD.]

N°. 27.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Letters of the 17th. and 23d. Instant the former by the Leopard with Invoice and Bill of Lading of Stores, all which are landed and shall be sent to Trichenopoly with the utmost Expedition, as also the Gunpowder received from Pondichery, with an Escort of Seapoys, under the Command of Ensign Davis, who is arrived with your Orders for that purpose.

I now dispatch the Leopard with directions to the Captain to call at Pondicherry to receive the Damaged Gun Powder, from thence to Sail to Alumparvay, there to take on board as many shells as his Vessell can carry, and then proceed directly to you.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble servant
CHARLES TURNER.

CUDDALORE
26TH. FEBRUARY 1762.

N°. 28.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In answer to your esteemed favor of the 26th. which arrived last night, We have the honor to request you will do us the Justice to beleive that only an urgent

necessity occasioned by the great distress the Inhabitants of this Place were reduced to for subsistence, could induce us to detain any Vessels proceeding with Grain to your Port; that those few which stop there were not compelled to it, but acted in compliance with an earnest request we made for that purpose, and disposed of their Cargoes on their own terms by orders sent from the Owners thereof at Madras. The Sloop Jagganattah belonging to Nocquebar at Balasore which you are pleased to mention particularly, was one of that number, the Master of which accepted of a Present to stay, but altering his Resolution afterwards had immediate liberty to proceed; It being entirely contrary to our Inclination to molest the free Navigation in any Respect.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient hble. Servants
H. DORMIEUX.
N. DE. JONEHERRE.

PULICAT
FEBRUARY YE. 28TH. 1762.

N°. 29.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We wrote you by the Fox under date the 25th. Duplicate whereof as well as of the Papers enclosed We now forward to You.

The Godolphin not being yet arrived, makes us apprehensive, she may not reach us in Time to proceed to Europe; should you receive any Intelligence concerning her putting back, or any other Accident befalling her, We request you will immediately dispatch to us either the Admiral Watson, or Royal George to [. . .] for Europe, which We proposed sending by the Godolphin.

The Company having frequently recommended to Us to forward a supply of Cash to China, whenever the state of our Treasury would admit of it, and having at present a sufficient stock of money to allow of our sending five Laacks, which will be sufficient stock for three ships, We purpose consigning that sum to you on the Warren to be forwarded to China by any ships you may have on hand or that the Gentlemen at Bombay cannot dispatch directly to Europe destined for China without the necessary stock of money.

The Loss of the Fatta Salam having disappointed us of the supply of heavy Cannon, Mortars, Shott and Shells you intended for us by her, We shall be in great want for our New Fort, and request therefore that you will forward to Us a further supply of such as you can spare especially 18 & 24 Pounder Guns & Shott.

We wrote to you under date the 3d. Octr. 1761 for some Mill Stones for the use of our Powder Works, We must here repeat our Request of having them sent to us as speedily as possible.

The Jaggery you indented for shall be sent you on Freight by the Nelly Snow.

We enclose a Letter for the President and Council of Bombay, which We request you will forward by Pattamar. It is left open for your Perusal.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
&CA. COUNCIL.

FORT WILLIAM
1st. FEBRUARY 1762

N°. 30.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am favored with your several Letters of the 27th. January 10th. & 19th. Instant.

Mr. Dawson is arrived with me, and I have received the Five thousand Pagodas you was pleased to direct Mr. Fairfield to send me for the service of this settlement.

I am with the greatest Esteem.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient & most obliged hble. Servant

Thos. Heath.

Vizagapatam
the 28th. February 1762.

N°. 31.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter of the 26th. Ulto. and have complied with the Directions therein contained.

Your Letter of the 10th. Instant I received Yesterday Evening by the Cuddalore Schooner with Invoice and Bill of Lading of Stores which shall be landed with all expedition, those for Trichenopoly shall be forwarded as soon as Bullocks can be procured for them.

I have received Mr. Secretary Alderseys Letter of the 13th. acquainting me it is your Directions the Cuddalore should go to Porto Novo to take in some Bales belonging to the Company, provided the wind will allow of her making a short Passage she shall be sent thither, otherwise they shall be brought here by Boats and shipp'd on board of her, she shall afterwards proceed to Allumparva to take in shells, and from thence to your Place.

The enclosed paper of Intelligence, I have just now received, which I thought might be proper to send you.

I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servant

Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
17th. March 1762.

N°. 32.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We addressed you under date the 15th. Instant by the Saubut Jung and Warren, with an additional Letter of the 16 ℔ Warren of which Duplicate is enclosed.

By those two Ships we Consigned you five Laacks of Rupees to be forwarded to Canton, since which upon a Rough Calculate of the present State of our Treasury and our Expected Income, We find that after allowing for our Expences & Investment we shall yet have money to spare and the President having received a Letter from Mr. Blount the Chief Supra Cargoe at Canton representing the great Benefit which would accrue to our Honble Masters Affairs there from a supply of ten Laacks, we have determined therefore to Consign you by [such] good opportunitys as may offer next Month a further sum of five Laacks for the same purpose & we write also to the President and Council at Bombay that they may draw on us for five Laacks to be paid in ready money & more upon Condition of its being in our Choice to discharge them by Bonds. We inclose our Letter for the Gentlemen at Bombay open for your Honor &cas. Perusal & request you will please to forward it by Pattamar.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
WARREN HASTINGS.
JOHN JOHNSTONE.
W. HAY.

FORT WILLIAM
FEBRUARY THE 26TH. 1762.

No. 33.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Agreeable to the Orders of the President and Council I proceeded on board the Warren to dispatch her for Madrass.

I have this day delivered her Commander Capt. Alphonsus Glover his Ditpatches, under this Cover I inclose the following Papers as ℔ Margent [*sic*] for the Inspection of your Honor &ca. Council.

I have mustered the ships Company and Having surveyed the Guns Ammunition &ca. on board find them as follows Vizt.

One Bill of Lading for Treasure
A Copy of Capt. Glovers Protest

{ Men 99
{ Guns 26
{ Powder [. . .]

Rounds of shott ammunition & small Arms in Proportion.

The ship appears in very good Order and Draws 19·4 abaft 20 forward and is in proper Condition to make a Good Defence against an Enemy. I wish her a safe and spedy Passage to Madras and am with Due Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient hble. Servant
ALEXANDER SCOTT
Master Attenda.

DATED ON BOARD THE SHIP WARREN
IN INGELEE ROAD FEBRUARY 28TH. 1762.

N°. 34.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Cuddalore Schooner being unloaded was dispatched for Porto Novo the 17th. in the Evening, at which place she arrived the next day.

The Stores for Trichenopoly were sent away the 20th. with an Escort of fifty Seapoys.

I now send the accounts of this Settlement for the Month of February.

The Enclosed Indents for use and sale are much wanted at this place, should therefore be glad to have them complied with as soon as possible.

I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. hble. Servant

Cuddalore
22nd. March 1762.

Charles Turner.

N°. 35.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The present serves to Inclose your Honor &ca. the Journal Parcels and Cash Account of this Settlement for the Months of January & February.

Being frequently afflicted with a Disorder in my Eyes, and having no one capable of prescribing in this or any other exigence that may happen to me or any other Person in the Settlement, I should esteem it a very particular Favor if your Honor &ca. would be pleased to Indulge us with a Surgeon.

I am with the greatest Esteem

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient hble. Servant

Vizagapatam
the 13th. March 1762.

Thos. Heath.

N°. 36.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Favor of the 11th. and Conformable to your Orders have given Publick Notice that sealed Proposals will be received till the 18th. April, for renting all the Companys Farms from the Expiration of the present Cowles for One Year, I fixed upon the 18th. April that I might have time to transmit them by the 26th. I shall agree[ably] to your directions Endeavor to make myself [acquainted with the] Circumstances and Characters of all such Persons as may deliver in Proposals.

For your better Information I now enclose a List of all the Farms depending upon Mazulipatam as they have been Lett by Colonel Forde and Mr. Andrews.

I am with Respect ·

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

MASULIPATAM
19TH. MARCH 1762.

Your most Obedient hble. Servant
RICHD. FAIRFIELD.

A LIST OF FARMS DEPENDING UPON MASULIPATAM THAT EXPIRE THE 31ST. MAY 1762.

NELLIPILLE &cª. Towns Lett to Condragulla Juggapah for three years from 1st. June 1759 to 31st May 1762 @ Mª. Pagª, 2000 ℔ Annum.

Kists ...	1st. September	666		
	1st. January	666		
	1st. May	668		
		——	Madras Pagodas	2000

The last Kist due which will certainly be paid the 1st. May.

BANDARMALANKA &Cª. Towns, Lett to Audurty Narsoo & Booputtyrauze Boompirauze for three Years from 1st. June 1759 to 31st. May 1762 @ Ms. Pª. 3000 ℔ Annum.

Kists ...	1st. October	1000		
	1st. February	1000		
	1st. June	1000		
		——	Madras Pagodas	3000

The Last Kist due and the Payment certain.

GOORJANAPILLEE. Lett to Maudrauze Bauganah for three Years at Ms. Pª. 300 ℔ Annum.

Kists ...	8th. November	100		
	8th. March	100		
	8th. July	100		
		——	Madras Pagodas	300

[The last Kist due and the Payment] Certain.

SAKANATAPILLEE & RAMASARUM. Lett to Booputtyrauze and Raugonautrauze for three Years from 1st. June 1759 to 31st. May 1762 at Madras Pagodas 1500 ℔ Ann.

Kists ...	1st. October	500		
	1st. February	500		
	1st. June	500		
		——	Madras Pagodas	1500

The last Kist due and the Payment certain.

INNOGODROO. Lett to Mowah Comrauze for three Years from 1st. June 1759 to 31st. May 1762 at Madras Pagodas 1800 1st. year.
2100 2d. ,,
2100 3d. ,,

Kists ...	8th. November	700		
	8th. March	700		
	8tn. July	700		
		——	Madras Pagodas	2100

The 1st. Kist only paid, he pleading the dry season, upon a strict Enquiry it appears it has not produced more than half the Rent, however the Man is able to pay the Ballance altho. very unwilling.

TONDURE & BONDURA Lett to Raja Culdindy Ancatramrauze for three years from 1st. June 1759 to 31st. May 1762 @ Madrass Pagodas 14500 ℔ Annum.

TUMADEE & PEDDANAH Lett to the same for 1 Year Ending 31st. May 1762 for Madras Pagodas 7500.

In August 1761 Mr. Andrews joined the Payments for these four Purganahs with a Ballance then due on the two first, being together Madras Pagodas 26,000 into the following Kists Mahomed Alli Soucar standing security.

Kists	31st.October 1761	...	2500
	4th. November	...	5000
	4th. January 1762	...	2000
	28th. February	...	2500
	4th. March ...	...	4000
	4th. May ...	...	3500
	30th. June ...	...	2500
	4th. November	...	2000
	4th. January 1763	...	2000
		——	Madras Pagodas 26,000

which have been regularly paid as they became due, the reason the two last Kists are so late is on account of a large Quantity of Coconuts, produced in these Purganahs which are not fit to cut before October, and it must be expressed in the New Cowle that all the Coconuts on the Trees belong to the old Renter.

NARSAPORE SALT Lett to Rajah Culdindy Ancatramrauze for 1 Year Ending 31st. May 1762 for Rupees 13000.

Kists	9th. April ...	...	4400
	9th. July ...	...	4300
	9th. October ...	...	3400
		——	Rupees 13000

This salt is always made from December to the end of June provided no Rain falls sooner, and sold from that time to the Month of November, which is the Reason of the Kists being so late so that altho. the new Cowle will be dated the 1st. June it really does not commence till November.

NIZAMPATAM Lett at first to Meerseid Hussain for 3 Years from 1st. June 1759 to 31st. May 1762 at Rupees 92000 ℔ Annum.

He paid his Rent for 1760, but in August 1761, he requested of Mr. Andrews to be relieved from the Farm finding himself unequal to the Management of so large Country, he at the same time produced Meir Bauker as one willing to stand his Ballance of Rupees 65445 provided the Farm was given to him for the remainder of the three Years, which was done with the approbation of the President and Council, He has to this time paid only Rupees 18000, so that there remains due of the Ballance 47000 Rupees, upon the strictest enquiry, this does not appear to be any fault in Meer, Bauker, but entirely owing to the dry Season, which has prevented the Lombardi People coming for Salt & all the Grain it has produced does not exceed 8000 Rupees, and it usually produces 40000, this is reputed a good Man and he has [hitherto paid] his Devee Rent punctually, but he is not Capable of making good this Ballance unless he sells his Salt well this Year.

Kists for the year Ending 31st. May 1762.

	31st. March ...	...	15000
	31st. May ...	...	15000
	31st. July ...	...	15000
	30th. November	...	15700
	31st. Janry 1763	...	15700
	28th. Febry. ...	...	15600
		——	Rupees 92000

The three first Payments are for Grain, the remainder for Sált, the new Renter takes the Management of Grain, Juncan &ca. the 1st. June, but the

old Renter continues to sell Salt till his last Kist is due (which is about the time they make new Salt in this Country) the Wangote Rajah makes Salt in his Country, which is a great Prejudice to our Renter, and there are several Villages bordering upon his Country, which are obliged to be lett to him, much under the Value, as nobody else dare take them, the French often attempted to Remedy this but could not.

DEVEE ISLAND Lett to Meer Bauker for three Years from 1st. June 1759 to 31st. May 1762 at Madras Pagodas 8000 ℔ annum.

Kists	25th. Novr.	... ...	2666
	25th. Febry.	... ...	2666
	25th. May	... ...	2668
			Madras Pagodas 8000

he has only paid 500 of the second Kist, but the remainder is certain.

SIX ISLANDS OF DEVEE Lett to Polligar Codant Ram for three Years Ending 31st. May 1762 at Madras Pagodas 2800 ℔ Ann.

Kists ...	5th. Febry.	... ...	311
	5th. March	... ...	311
	5th. April	... ...	311
	5th. May	... ...	311
	5th. June	... ...	311
	5th. July	... ...	311
	5th. August	... ...	311
	5th. Sept.	... ...	311
	5th. October	... ...	311
			Madras Pagodas 2800 [sic].

He has hitherto paid his Rent punctually, but I cannot learn the [Reason] why his Kists are carried five Monthse beyond the Expiration of his Cowle, these six Islands are dispersed in that part of the River Kistna which runs thro. this Mans Country and such are the theivish Maxims of these Polligars that no person would take them of Mr. Andrews, he was therefore Obliged to give them to Him.

ANTRAVIDEE, Lett for 1 Year Ending 31st. May 1762 to Madalla Reddy at Madras Pagodas 650.

Kists ...	30th. Novr.	... ...	160
	31st. March	... ...	160
	30th. June	... ...	160
	30 Sepr.	... ...	170
			Madras Pagodas 650.

the Payment certain.

GONDURE & AUCLAMANADA Lett first to Mahomed Ally Beg for three Years Ending 31st. May 1762 at Madras Pagodas 10500 ℔ Ann. But this Man breaking in July 1761 with a Ballance due of 4043, Mr. Andrews gave it for the remaining Year to Nibaunpoody Tellagapah and Condanah, they obliging themselves to pay both Rent & Ballance, but Tellagapah also failing in about two Months after having received from the Country Ps. 1293 which sum he now stands Debtor for, Condanah took the sole Management and was to answer the remaining Pags. 12,785 of which he has paid only Pags. 3200, the greater part of the remainder may be deemed irrecoverable as this Country has suffered terribly for want of Rain, and he is a Man of little substance, and here I must remark that these two Men seem to have taken the Farm with no other design but to make themselves appear Considerable for a time, as this Country was never valued at more that [*sic*] 11000 tho they so readily undertook to pay 14500.

LIST OF SUCH FARMS DEPENDING UPON MASULIPATAM AS DO NOT EXPIRE THE 31ST. MAY 1762.

LAND CUSTOM Lett to Mowat Comrauze for three years from 21st. October 1759 to 22d. October 1762.

1760	... ...	Rupees 1,400
1761	... ...	15,000
1762	... ...	16,000

IDROBAD CUSTOM Lett to Mowat Comrauze for 17 Months Ending 22d. Octr. 1762 for Rupees 11,400.

MASULIPATAM & PONRACCA SALT Lett to Meerseid Hussain & Timagee for three Years Ending 9th. November 1762.

1760	... ...	60,000	}	
1761	... ...	70,000	}	Rupees.
1762	... ...	80,000	}	
Kists ...	9th. April	26,666		
	9th. July	26,666		
	9th. October	26,668		
		Rupees 80,000.		

of the year 1761 about 10,000 Rs. is due which they promise to pay in one Month.

NARSAPORE TOWN Lett to Ballapregadoo Caumiah for three Years Ending 22d. December 1762 @ Rups. 2,000 ℔ Annum.

Kists ...	28th. March	500	
	28 June	500	
	28 Septr.	500	
	28 Decr.	500	
		Rupees 2,000	

ARRACK Lett to Toddapolla Rownopah for three Years Ending 12th. Febry. 1763 at Rupees 5,000 ℔ Annum.

Kists ...	12th. April	800	
	12 June	850	
	12 Augt.	850	
	12 Octr.	850	
	12 Decr.	850	
	12 Febry. 1763	800	Rupees 5,000.

N°. 37.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on you with two Packets from Bengal, received this day from Captain Justice of the Phœnix Schooner.

I am with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
CHARLES TURNER.

CUDDALORE
3D. APRIL 1762.

N°. 38.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

By the Phœnix Schooner Capt. Justice I now send you in Gold One Thousand Six hundred Pagodas (1600) in Fanams twenty Eight thousand Eight

hundred (28,800) being a larger sum of Money than for the immediate occasions of this Settlement, my reasons for taking this Step proceeds from some Intelligence which I have received and communicated to the Select Committe, having likewise a greater Number of small Arms than is necessary for the use of the Garrison, I shall send them to Madrass this Evening in two large Boats.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient hble. Servant
CHARLES TURNER.

CUDDALORE
7TH. APRIL 1762

N°. 39.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on you with the accounts of this Settlement for the Month of March, and agreable to your Directions I enclose a List of Old Materials received from Pondicherry with their Valuation, I am with respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
CHARLES TURNER.

CUDDALORE
15TH. APRIL 1762.

ACCOUNT OF SUNDRY OLD MATERIALS RECEIVED FROM PONDICHERRY MARCH 31ST. 1762.

9	Teak Timbers...	18	@	3	Ps.	each.	27	—	—		
3	Ditto ...	18	@	1½		D°.	4	18	—		
13	Ditto ...	15	@	1½		ditto	19	18	—		
20	Ditto ...	10	@	½		ditto	10	—	—		
15	Ditto Country Teak from 7 to	14	@	1		ditto	15	—	—		
16	Ditto Joices ...	8	@	⅜		ditto	6	—	—		
76	—									82	— —

COUNTRY TIMBERS.

7	Timbers from 14 to 16	@	¾		ditto	5	9	—		
6	D°. from 14 to 15	@	1		ditto	6	—	—		
6	D°. 9	@	⅞		ditto	5	9	—		
8	D°. from 3 to 5	@	¼		ditto	2	—	—		
27	—								18	18	—
3	Country Planks Long broad thick	@	½		ditto	1	18	—		
1	Angely Plank 13. 2. 10					4	—	—		
4	—										
2	Centry Box frames					2	—	—		
1	Teak railed Door					5	—	—		
1	Ditto with Palmeira Railes					2	—	—		
4	—								14	18	—
						Carried over ..			115	0	0

								Brought forward ..		115	0 0
					GATES.						
					Long	Broad					
1	Pair	...	...	...	12¾	4¾		15	— —		
1	D°.	...	...	...	14¾	4¼		15	— —		
1	D°.	...	...	...	20	6¾		40	— —		
1	D°.	...	...	...	12	5¼		5	— —		
2	Ditto Country			...	9	6¼		5	— —		
6	—									80	— —
13	Planks	...	...	...	...	...		5	— —		
1	Large Table	...	...	...	...	...		2	— —		
1	Door fixed with Glasses			...	...	...		3	— —		
1	Transport Carriage		...	...	...	...		12	— —		
6	Broken Ladders		...	..	...	...		6	— —		
1	Screen	...	...	...	...	...		2	— —		
1	3 Pounder Gun with its Carriage				...	...		15	— —		
										45	— —
					PALMEIRAS.						
					Long						
1515	Double Palmeiras			8 & 9	@	4	Ps. ℔ %	60	21 48		
1485	Ditto	from		10 to 11	@	6	D°.	89	3 48		
1510	Ditto	from		12 to 14	@	8	D°.	120	28 64		
215	D°.	from		16 to 17	@	10	D°.	21	18 —		
4725										292	— —
510	Single	10 Long	@	3½	ditto			17	30 48		
190	D°.	12 ditto	@	6				11	14 32		
375	D°.	18 ditto	@	9				33	27 —		
1075										63	— —
										355	— —
		foot									
250	Armosongs	11 Long	@	5	Ditto			12	18 —		
750	D°.	13	@	6	D°.			45	— —		
335	D°.	14	@	7	D°.			23	16 16		
										80	34 16
									PAGODAS	675	34 16

CHARGES MERCHANDIZE.

				F^{s}.	C.
45	Carpenters	...	...	142	—
89	Smiths	...	...	182	—
1145	Cooleys	...	...	1432	—
				1756	—
73	Boats at 50 f^{s}. ℔ Boat		...	3650	—
200	Carts @ 18 ℔ Cart		...	3600	—
15	Cattamarans	...	...	193	40
				9199	40
	at 41¾ fanams ℔ Pag.			220	14 40
1	Conicoply for 1½ month		... ...	6	— —
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CUDDALORE 31ST. MARCH 1762.
ERRORS EXCEPTED
℔ CHARLES TURNER.

N°. 40.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We addressed your Honor &ca. under date the 26th. Ultimo and enclosed a Letter to the President and Council at Bombay. We now send you a Duplicate of each enclosed.

We have since received the Duplicate of your Letter of the 6th. Ultimo, the original whereof is not yet come to hand.

We are sorry it is not in our power to supply you with a proper Person skilled in the making of Gunpowder as one of those which the Company sent us died last Season, and the other is fully employed in making the necessary Preparations for erecting our New Powder Mills.

We have communicated to Col. Coote the Contents of the Companys Commands in their Letter to you of the 13th. March 1761.

Colonel Coote has paid the Ballance of your account with him, account his Regiment, which you transmitted to us amounting to sixteen thousand Pagodas, at the Exchange of three hundred thirty five Arcot Rupees for one hundred Pagodas making Current Rupees Fifty seven Thousand Eight hundred and Eighty Eight for which We have given you due Credit in our Books.

Having occasion for large Supplies of Timber for the buildings in our New Fort We have advertised Terms of freight for the encouragement of any owners of ships that will undertake to bring us the Companys Timbers remaining at the Negrais or those We have caused to be cut at [Chittagong and the] said Terms of freight are half a Rupee Arcot for every solid foot delivered at Calcutta, in case the Timbers are round they are to be measured by the Circumscribed square in consideration that they would take up the same room in the ship as if they were square but as by this means the freight of round Timbers will turn out very dear We have directed all that are at Chittagong to be squared and shall send the same Directions to the Negrais When any opportunity offers. Should any Vessel go from the Coast to the Negrais We request you will send the necessary Orders for that Purpose & that you will be pleased to give Publick Notice of the Terms of freight abovementioned.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants
Henry Vansittart.
P. Amyatt.
Warren Hastings.
John Johnstone.
W. Hay.

Fort William
the 1st. March 1762.

N°. 41.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We addressed You the 26th. February and 1st. Instant by Pattamar. Duplicate of the former has been already forwarded, and that of the latter We now enclose.

Agreable to what We wrote You in a former [letter we have laden two thousand] Maunds of Jaggree on the Nelly Snow Captain Thomas Gibson amounting as ℔ Invoice and Bill of lading enclosed to Current Rupees eight thousand six hundred twenty two and ten annaes, including the amount of the Freight which We have paid Him here.

It having been represented to Us by several Commanders, the hardship they labor under in being obliged to pay for deficiencies which generally arise on Salt Petre and Jaggree, as those Articles inevitably waste in carrying from one port to another, notwithstandg. the Vessel may be in good Order, We have in consideration thereof agreed that in case the bags are delivered in good order they shall not be liable to be charged with any Deficiency of Weight provided the same do not exceed two seers in every bag.

A Complaint being made us against Captain Lang with regard to the Cloathing of the Battalion of Seapoys he commanded when here, That the Cloathing of the Subadars were no better than those of the Jemutdars, and Jemutdars no better than Havildars of the other Battalions and that several of the Men were not cloathed at all. We caused a Return thereof to be sent us, which was accordingly done and We now enclose it to Your Honor &c^{a}. that you may call upon Captain Lang to make good the deficiency and We think it would not be improper if some severity was shewn him for such a breach of trust if he cannot justify himself to your satisfaction.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants
HENRY VANSITTART
&C^{A}. [COUNCIL.]

FORT WILLIAM
4 MARCH 1762.

N°. 42.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have been favored with both yours of the 11th. & 25 Ultimo, the latter came to me on the Leopard Snow by whom I likewise received the Musters of Long Cloth and the Ten thousand Madras Pagodas (1000) your honor &c^{a}. was pleased to direct M^{r}. Fairfield to send me for the use of the Investment.

I have wrote the several Merchants belonging to this Settlement to give their attendance here as early as possible & shall on their arrival acquaint them Publickly with your Honor &c^{a}. Commands respecting the Investment in order that their determinations thereon may be sent you as soon as possible.

I am with the greatest Esteem

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. & mos[t] Obliged humble Servant
THO^{S}. HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 7TH. APRIL 1762.

N°. 43.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your favor of the 11th. and have this day Dispatched Overland Twenty thousand (20000) Madras Pagodas under the Charge of a Jemidar

& 34 Seapoys having found it impracticable to procure a Bill. I shall forward Mr. Heath Ten thousand Pagodas the first Opportunity.

I have caused Publick Notice to be given for all Persons willing to be concerned in the Companys Investment, to give in their Proposals sealed, which shall be forwarded as soon as received. But I think I may venture to assure You that it cannot be done without the usual Method of advancing Money, as I have ever found it impossible to procure a single Corge of Goods without advancg. the Money three months beforehand, the Reason is that those We term Merchants are really no more than head Weavers, who have not substance sufficient to carry on the Investment without Money.

I observe there is no Long Cloth either Fine Midling or Ordinary, in the List of Goods to be provided at this Place & Bandarmalanka, which as I imagine to be a Mistake I have included those articles in the advertisement.

I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedt. humble Servant
Richd. Fairfield.

Masulipatam
28th. March 1762.

No. 44.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This accompanies a Box containing Twenty thousand (20000) Madras Pagodas under Charge of a Jemidar & Thirty four Seapoys.

I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedt. [hble. Servant]
Richd. [Fairfield.]

Mazulipatam
28th. March 1762.

No. 45.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Favor of the 25th. March ℔ Leopard Snow with the several articles of my Indent, which turn out agreable to Invoice.

I have put on board the Leopard ten thousand (10000) Madrass Pagodas for Mr. Heath, she sailed this Day.

I now transmit the accounts of this Settlement for the Month of March and am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient hble. Servt.
Richd. Fairfield.

Masulipatam
3d. April 1762.

N°. 46.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Conformable to your Orders of the 11th. March, I gave Publick Notice for all Persons willing to Contract for the Companys Investment here and at Bandarmalanka, to deliver in their Proposals sealed up to be forwarded to You, at the same [*sic*] advising there would be no Money advanced in Consequence of which I have received the Eleven Inclosed Letters. But all the Merchants excepting Lackimchittee Mollah declare they cannot provide Cloth unless the Money is advanced and I am inclined to believe he has offered it for no other Reason than to Endeavour to throw the others out, as he is a Man of little Substance or Credit. I asked him how much Cloth he would furnish within a Year, he replied he could not exactly tell, but that he would first provide to the Amount of 1000 Pagodas and when he received the Money would immediately Advance it again, if this be his Intention 3000 Pagodas a Year is all that can be expected from him.

The Chay Goods are all provided at this Place, and the whole Quantity may be ready in about six Months.

There are no Beteelas made nearer than Upparrah which is under Vizagapatam, & I cannot find a Merchant willing to provide them to be delivered here or at Bandarmalanka, those articles must therefore be Contracted for by Mr. Heath.

I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient hble. Servant
Richd. Fairfield.

Mazulipatam
12th. April 1762.

N°. 47.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

In consequence of the Advertisement given out for all Persons willing to Rent the several Districts of Mazulipatam to deliver in their Proposals sealed to be forwarded to You; I have received the seventeen Inclosed Letters addressed to your Honor &ca. which are much fewer than I expected, owing I believe in great measure to the very bad season which has Ruined some of the Renters & hurt them all and the Demolishing the [. . .] Factory & removing the Stores to Deve has rivitted an opinion they have long Entertained that this Town is to be given back to the French. I have used my utmost Endeavors to convince them We have no such Intention but without Success.

Agreable to your Orders I have done all in my power to procure Information of the Circumstances & Characters of the several Persons that have delivered in Proposals & shall proceed to acquaint you therewith, first begging you will have due Consideration of the great difficulty or indeed almost impossibility of coming at the real Circumstances of any of these People, as a Man is generally estimated according to the figure he makes which is a very uncertain Guide, and in general these Country People have such a perplexed method of managing their affairs & scattering their substance that there are very few of them can tell themselves what they are worth, this being the case all I can pretend to say of their Characters is the general Opinion People entertain of them.

Rajah Vencatramruze or Harishendrauze Renter of Tondurro, Bondana, Tumadee & Peddanah, and Narsapore salt, is a very considerable Jemidar of this Country & is Renter of Elloor under the Nabob, he has paid his Rent for the last three Years very punctually, is Esteemed a good Man and of considerable substance.

Maudely Reddy & Gorrauze are by the best Information I can procure the most Responsable [*sic*] Men that have delivered Proposals & always had considerable Employments under the French.

Timaujee is at Present Partner in the Farm of Mazulipatam & Pondarracca salt with Meerseid Hussain, who being very old this Timaujee has always been Manager and is reckon'd to understand the Business very well. I believe he is not worth much, but as this salt is in a manner under the Chiefs Eye it is easy to secure the Money as the Lombard People buy it.

Meer Bauker at present Renter of Devee and Nizampatam, I am quite at a Loss what to say of this Man, few People here know any thing of him, but it is generally thought he is worth very little; he has been very unfortunate as Nizampatam has hardly produced anything this Year, but he is esteemed a Man that understands his Business.

Mowah Comrauze Renter of Innogodroo Petah Juncan & Idrobad Customs, thought to be worth very little & I have had some difficulty in Collecting his Rent.

Narsingo Riado reckoned to be in tolerable Circumstances and bares [*sic*] a good Character.

Reggonautrauze Renter of Sakanatapillee has always paid his Rent punctually and bares [*sic*] a good Character.

Audurty Narsoo & Bompirauze Renters of Bandamalanka &c^{a}. Towns, have paid their Rent regularly and are esteemed good Men.

Maudrauze Boggonah Renter of Gorjanapillee has paid his Rent duely.

Condragoola Juggapah Renter of Nellepillee &c^{a}. Towns, has paid his Rent regularly altho he has been a great sufferer by the dry Season, he is a man of a good Character and was head Conicoply at Ingeram for thirty Years.

Maudrauze Ramiah is a stranger here but he offers for his security one Mango Vencatriadoo a Man of Credit & substance.

Mahamud Ally Beg formerly Renter of Gondure &c^{a}. a Man of bad Character immencely [. . .]

Bollapreggadoo Caumiah Renter of Narsapore Town, in Midling Circumstances but of a good Character.

Moosalacontee Vencatram lives at Bandarmalanka, M^{r}. Dolben knows him & gives him a very good Character both as to Integrity and substance.

Condanah Renter of Gondure &c^{a}. has suffered greatly this Year & is I beleive quite Ruined.

Potarauze Chittaramodo Polarauze Vencatachilum Despondies of Devee & Bogadee Veeranah & Bogadee Sobbanah Plowing People of Devee, these are all People of substance and good Characters, but not altogether proper to be Renters as they are the People that should check the Renters accounts.

Moslacontie Caumaujee, Jogue Puntaloo & Ameras Trippotty, are all servants to the Company and have behaved faithfully. I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient hble. Servant
RICHD. FAIRFIELD.

MASULIPATAM
18TH. APRIL 1762.

No. 48.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The 29th. of last Month We sent you a further Consignment of one Laack of Rupees for China by the Prince Edward Captain Helfernan, We now send you the remaining Laack by the Fort St. George Captain Holford.

As we observe on making up the Accounts of last Years Investment that the ballance outstanding with what we have in our Warehouse will enable us to give a Loading to the Royal George or Admiral Watson which being the Companys own Ships no disputes can arise with regard to the Charterparty in dispatching them at any Season. We therefore propose to send either of those ships to England in the Month of August and request you will dispatch which of them may be unemployed so as to arrive with us the beginning of July.

We request you will forward the enclosed Packet to Bombay. We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
JOHN JOHNSTONE.
W. HAY.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 1ST. APRIL 1762.

No. 49.

To GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
GOVERNOR & TO THE COUNCIL OF MADRAS.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

In embracing this opportunity to forward the inclosed Duplicate of our Letter dated the 13th. of August last, we cannot omit to request you will remove the Goods which are still remaining immediately from hence; as that is the only means to prevent their being entirely spoilt, part[icularly] Casks of Flower which have laid long neglected in our Godowns.

The Bills drawn upon you by Mr. Henry Russel for four hundred Spanish Dollars, and by Captain Norton Hutchinson for a thousand, We beg you will discharge to Mr. Vantellingen Governor of Negapatam, whom we have advised thereof, and requested he will return you the 4728½ lb. of Salt provisions which we detained belonging to your Company. We remain with great esteem

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your humble Servants
[*Lævuna.*]

MALACCA CASTLE
FEBRUARY THE 12TH. 1762.

N°. 50.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received from our respected Superiors at Negapatam two Bills of Exchange drawn on you by Mr. Henry Russel and Captain Norton Hutchinson, the former amounting to four hundred Spanish Dollars & the latter to a thousand, the whole of which we are ordered to demand according to the Malacca Factors account, mentioning s. 4760 which reduced to Pagodas at s. 4–16 ℘ Pagoda amounts to Pags. 991–16. We are also directed to request you will please to acquaint us with the price of the Salt Provisions detained out of your Companys Stock by our Gentlemen at Mallacca, the quantity was 4728½ lb. one half of which was Beef the other Pork, the amount thereof you will please to deduct out of our present demand; thus we have strictly obeyed the Orders of our Superiors & delivered the Bills to our Secretary Mr. Daniel Bartholomew Trutter that he may present them to you, and settle the abovementioned Accounts.

We are with Esteem

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient and most hble. Servants

J. H. Dormieux &ca.

Pullicat
April 4th. 1762.

N°. 51.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter of the 23d. with the List of Investment Inclosed, and thereon summon'd the Companys former Merchants of this Place, named, Irshapa Chitty, Nella Chitty, and Bowanie Sancaria, & acquainted them with your Intentions of Carrying on an Investment at this Place, that no advances would be made to them but the Cloth paid for as brought in, on which they absolutely refused to contract for any part thereof, unless they had some Advance, alledging that they had been great sufferers by the taking of Fort St. David and were not in Circumstances to advance Money to the Weavers, notwithstanding which, agreeable to your Orders I have fixed up Advertisements at the most publick Places, as soon as I receive proposals shall send them you.

I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Charles [Turner]

Your most obedient humble Servant

Cuddalore
30th April 1762.

N°. 52.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President and Governor &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since we wrote you the 5th. Ulto. Dupte. of which is enclosed, we have received your Letters of the 11th. January & 8th. Ultimo.

The Ships for this Presidency having brought out some Men for Coll. Cootes Regiment, we embrace the Opportunity of a Vessels proceeding with stores to the Admiral to embark one half the Number, and the other half will embark on another Vessel which will likewise proceed in a few days to the squadron, and we have desired the Admiral to convey them to your place in order for their getting a Passage from thence to Bengal.

We are obliged to your Honor &ca. for the Intelligence of the Squadron and our Honble Masters China Ships the latter of which we are glad to find have al escaped the Enemy; We are now dispatching the York and Calcutta for Europe and hope to get them away in all this Month: but not being able to return home the Boscawen and Royal Captain we have employed one on a Freight Voyage from Surat to Juddal, & propose sending the other with a Cargoe of Cotton to Bengal as soon as she returns from Gombroon where she is at present.

When any proper Conveyances offer we shall endeavour to comply with your Honor &ca. Request for a supply of good Gunpowder.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants
Cha. Crommelin &ca. Council.

[Bombay] Castle
[16th. March] 1762.

N°. 53.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The enclosed is Duplicate of our last, agreeable to which, the remainder of the Detachment of Coll. Cootes Regiment, is now sent to the Admiral to be conveyed to you in order for your procuring them a Passage to Bengal, whither we request you would forward the accompanying Packet for the President and Council.

Having desired the Admiral to send the Britannia Snow to your Presidency when he has no further Service for her, we are to request your Honor &ca. would endeavour to procure her a Freight either for this Place or Surat, & return her to us early in October, which We are of opinion You may easily do, and which will in some measure reimburse our Honble Masters for the heavy Expence they incur by being obliged to freight her to carry Stores to the Squadron.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Servants
Cha: Crommelin.
Tho: Hodges.
J. Spencer.
Cha: Waters.
Robt. Holford.
Saml. Court.

Bombay Castle,
27th March 1762.

N°. 54.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter of the 10th. with other proposals for the Investment, the Contents of which I immediately communicated to the Merchants, agreeable thereto they are willing to contract, and inclosed are the proposals I this day received from them.

I must beg leave to repeat my Request of the 16th. Februarv for to repair the Factory House and to build a sorting a Beating, and a Cloth Godown, which are absolutely necessary for carrying on the Investment, and cannot possibly be done without, the sooner I have your Directions on this Head the better, as they will take up at least three Months to finish.

A Compleat Sett of Bale Screws are wanted for the Warehouse, as they are not to be got here I shall be glad to have a sett sent me as soon as possible.

Inclosed are the Accounts of this Settlement for the Month of April

I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient humble Servant

Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
14th. May 1762

N°. 55.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr

President and Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Merchants belonging to this Place being at length all arrived, I acquainted them with the particular Orders received from your Honour &ca. respecting the carrying on an Investment, after taking time to consider of them they acquainted me, that as it had always been customary for the best of Cloths provided at this Settlement to consist for the Ordinary of no more than Thirteen and One half Punjums, of One hundred and twenty Threads each, the Midling of Seventeen and Seventeen & One half Punjums, and the Fine of Twenty and Twenty & one half Punjums, they could not engage to bring Cloths of so superiour a Quality as those demanded (Vizt. Sixteen Pungum [*sic*] for the Ordinary, Eighteen Punjum for the Midling and Twenty four Punjum for the fine) to serve the purpose of an Investment upon any terms; neither could they furnish the necessary supplys of Cloth without the money being first advanced them, for that Purpose as usual; but that admitting the Money was to be advanced, and the same Quality of Cloth taken as usual, they were ready to let me know their proposals; to which I replyed that I had ready acquainted them I was not authorised to come to any conclusion with them in this Affair, but only to receive their sealed Proposals and transmit them to your Honour

&c^{a}. in doing which I recommended it to them to act in the most candid manner, in order that no time mght be lost; they accordngly delivered me the Inclosed which I hope will prove to your Honor &c^{a}. Satisfaction.

I am with the greatest Esteem
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient & most Obliged
humble servant
THO: HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 29TH. APRIL 1762.

P.S.—A few Wares & Stores being absolutely necessary to carry on & secure the Investment, I hope your Honor &c^{a}. will please to order a few may be sent me.

N°. 56.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Inclosed you will receive the Monthly Accounts of this Settlement for April.

I also transmit an account of all the stores at Devee, and in this Garrison, which were found when the Place was taken, and have not yet been brought to Account, which I request may be Returned with the Prices affixed to each Article, that the Book commenting 1st. May 1762 may be regularly Opened.

Mr. Andrews was directed to continue the Customs here upon the same footing they were in the time of the French, I beg leave to remark were very Irregular for they followed the Methods practised by the Moors when they were Masters of the Government, which they took care should be particularly favorable to themselves, as they paid only six Rupees ℔ Bale of Raw Silk & Piece Goods from Bengal, and three ℔ Cent on all other Goods, when Europeans and Gentoos were obliged to pay 5 ℔ Cent on every kind of Goods, this is calculated to throw all the Trade of the Port into the Moors hands, and naturally must produce discontent. 6 Rupees ℔ Bale on Bengal Goods is not more $1\frac{1}{2}$ ℔ Cent, it is true those Goods are not sold here but sent up to Hidrobad, and as the Juncans on the Road are considerable they may require some Indulgence. I have talked to several Merchants on this subject, and I have reason to believe if the Customs on Raw Silk and Piece Goods was raised to three Madrass Pagodas ℔ Bale of $2\frac{1}{4}$ Maund, they would be contented, the Customs on all other Goods I think might be the same as to Europeans & Gentoos, if your Honor &c^{a}. approve of this, I will give Publick Notice that it will be always so in future.

When Colonel Forde Lett out this Country he gave to the Renters of Nizampatam, six Islands of Devee & Tondurro Bondurra, each a Horse and Cloaths value six hundred Rupees, & to all the other Renters a Shaul value about Fifty Rupees, this was a Custom with the French: as the Renters will no doubt expect the same Favor now, I must beg your Orders on this head.

I am with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
RICHD. FAIRFIELD.

MAZULIPATAM
3d. MAY 1762.

AN ACCOUNT of Stores remaining in the Garrison of Masulipatam the 1st. of April 1762.

18 Pounder Gun with Carriage	1
12 Pounder D°. D°.	2
9 Pounder D°. D°.	18
6 Pounder D°. D°.	9
4 Pounder D°. D°.	5
3 Pounder D°. D°.	5
18 Pounder Round Iron Shott	50
12 Pounder D°. D°.	70
9 Pounder D°. D°.	310
6 Pounder D°. D°.	110
4 Pounder D°. D°.	60
3 Pounder D°. D°.	40
3 Pounder Round Leaden Shott	801
12 Pounder Grape Shott unfix'd	10
9 Pounder d°. d°.	99
6 Pounder d°. d°.	86
4 Pounder d°. d°.	46
3 Pounder d°. d°.	248
3 Pounder Round shotted Cartridges	1431
3 Pounder Grape Shotted Cartridges	255
24 Pounder Copper Ladles	10
18 Pounder d°. d°.	14
12 Pounder d°. d°.	11
9 Pounder d°. d°.	23
6 Pounder d°. d°.	17
4 Pounder d°. d°.	13
3 Pounder d°. d°.	8
2 Pounder d°. d°.	3
1 Pounder d°. d°.	9
24 Pounder Spunges with Rammerheads	18
18 Pounder d°. d°.	11
12 Pounder d°. d°.	14
9 Pounder d°. d°.	35
6 Pounder d°. d°.	17
4 Pounder d°. d°.	11
[3 Pounder] d°. d°.	12
2 Pounder Spunges with Rammerheads	5
1 Pounder D°. D°.	3
½ Pounder D°. D°.	4
Hand spikes	120
New English Firelocks with Bayonetts compleat	604

already on the Books.

English Firelocks fit for service	102
Ditto old	27
French Firelocks fit for use	81
Ditto old	16
New Europe Cartridge Boxes	25
Country D°. New	396
Ramrods	736
Flints	15159

already on the Books.

French Swords	23
Sword Blades	24
Madras Powder in 60 lbs.	34 Barrels
12 Pounder Cartridges filled with Madras Powder	162
9 Pounder d°. d°. d°.	146
4 Pounder d°. d°. d°.	6
3 Pounder d°. d°. d°.	22

		already on the Books.
18 Pounder Cartridges filled with Bengal Powder		4
12 Pounder d°. d°. d°.		3
6 Pounder d°. d°. d°.		4
English Musket Cartridges		34,817
Carbine Cartridges		940
French Cartridges		5,632
Exercising Cartridges		6,220
English Musket Balls		11,935
French Balls		440
9 Pounder Copper Measure		1
3 Pounder Copper Mould		1
Gun Match	Skains	221
Port fires		764
Tubes		2,880
Linch Stocks		12
Salt Petre		30 lb.
Quick Match		7
Tann'd Hides Old		14
Bengal Paper	Quire	135
Bengal Twine	Skains	4
French Powder Horns Old		16
& c[a]. Compleat		1
French Tumbrils		5
Transport Carriages		2
Tarpaulins		2
		on the Books.
Gun Flag		1
		on the Books
Iron Old		lb. 212
Steel		lb. 53
Nails of Sorts		lb. 31
Anvills		7
Iron hand Cuffs		6
Momaties		18
Large Bellows Old	Pair	5
Wood Oil	Banboes	59
Coconut Oil	Seer	32
Rattans	Bundle	1½
Rope	d°.	10
Drum Cords	lb.	13
24 Pounder empty Cartridge Baggs		307
18 d°. d°. d°.		107
12 d°. d°. d°.		69
9 d°. d°. d°.		227
6 d°. d°. d°.		162
4 d°. d°. d°.		274
3 d°. d°. d°.		300
Guns in the Artillery Park &c[a]. not Mounted some of which are said to be unfit for service		85
An account of Stores in the Fort of Devee sent thither at Sundry Times Viz[t].		
12 Pounder Guns with Carriages		2
9 Pounder d°. d°.		8
6 Pounder d°. d°.		2
4 Pounder d°. d°.		1
3 Pounder d°. d°.		8
12 Pounder Round Iron Shott		1769
9 Pounder d°. d°.		4391
6 Pounder d°. d°.		4602
4 Pounder d°. d°.		314
3 Pounder d°. d°.		871

2 Pounder Round Iron Shott		512
1 Pounder d°. d°.		236
½ Pounder d°. d°.		24
4 Pounder Round Leaden Shott		296
1 Pounder d°. d°.		120
6 Ounces d°. d°.		75
24 Pound Grape Shott		42
12 Pound D°.		93
9 Pound D°.		272
6 Pound D°.		339
4 Pound D°.		54
2 Pound D°.		344
6 Pounder Round Shotted Cartridges		485
4 Pounder d°. d°.		155
2½ Pounder d°. d°.		1774
2 Pounder d°. d°.		198
1 Pounder d°. d°.		80
6 Pounder Grape Shotted Cartridge		7
4 Pounder Ditto d°.		40
2½ Pounder D°. d°.		362
2 Pounder d°. d°.		90
1 Pounder d°. d°.		96
8 Inch Shells		81
4½ Inch D°.		98
Hand Granadoes Loaded		270
Ditto Ditto empty		1096
French Powder in 100 lbs.	Barrells	28
D°. D°. in 60 lbs.	Do.	71
Madras Powder in 60 lbs.	Do.	52
Mealed Powder		25 lb.
Sulphur		30 lb.
Salt Petre		lb. 30
French Musket Cartridges		50, 400
French Musket Balls		58,221
Carbine Balls		8000
Pig Lead		340
Carbines		74
English Firelocks Old		6
French Firelocks		40
Musketoons		13
Matchlocks		7
Musket Barrells		295
Loaded Carcases		50
Stink Potts		233
Fuzes		1,573
Carbine Cartridges		4,000
Musket Stocks new		158
Pistol D°.		190
Old Iron	lb.	2,200
Steel	lb.	538
Momaties		384
Halk Momaties		40
Pick Axes		26
Hand Cuffs		83
Shovells with Iron		6
Ditto without		40
Bill Hooks		20
Nails of Sorts		1,280
Brass mounting for Firelocks Old		10
Checks for Carriages New		41
Rasps		12
Handspikes		8

N°. 57.

To the Hon̄ble George Pigot Esq^r^.

President and Governor &c^a^. Council at Fort S^t^. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

Both the private Vessells which sailed hence for your Port left behind (and I have reason to think on purpose) the Letters which I adressed [*sic*] Your Honor &c^a^. Council and intended to go by them; I find since that the advices which they contained have been anticipated to you by Captain Vincent, who dispatched the Boneta Ketch from Fort Marlborough, which I hope arrived safe; I conclude also that the Osterly has been sent to the Malabar Coast, on the surmise of a French 64 Gun Ship, dismasted, being near the Road of Bencoolen. I am at a Loss what to think of that unfortunate Settlement, having received no Recent Advices, tho I dispatched two Vessells thither in October; the miserable Condition it was in, joined to a sickness which reigned there as if it was the Plague, make me dread that a Fatality still attends that Place. I beg leave to refer Your Honor &c^a^. Council to the Copies of the Letters here inclosed for Particulars of the French Ships from the Islands which have been here, and departed the 7^th^. Ultimo. Having received none of your Commands ℔ the Policat, nor Negapatam ships which imported here lately, I have not to add, but that I am with due Respect.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
John Herbert.

Batavia
the 24^th^. December 1761.

To the Hon̄ble the Governor & Council
at Fort Marlborough.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

By the accompanying Packet dated 8^th^. Instant you will see that I had that day dispatched unto you the Hon̄ble Companys Ketch Nancy; she had no sooner weighed to proceed on her Voyage when I reced. Intelligence of there being three French Men of War in the Streights of Sunda, I therefore sent a Boat immediately after her (which had the Good Fortune to come up with her) with orders to return into this Road; the 15^th^. present in the Evening the said French Ships came to an Anchor here, One of them is a Man of War carrying 64 Guns, and the other two are Companys Ships of which one is pierced for fifty Guns, the second is a Frigate and mounting 16 Guns. They have many Military and Coffrees on board, seem to be deeply loaded with Merchandize, chiefly consisting of Coffee and Iron for sale at this place; from what I can learn of their Motions here, there is an appearance of their staying some time, tho̅, its probable and I am afraid of their intentions to cruize for our Shipping; Inclosed is Copy of a Letter wrote to any English Commander, that may be met with in entering the Streights of Sunda, which I hope will happily fall into the hands of some one, that may have been dispatched hither, by Your Honor &c^a^. Council. I have sanguine hopes that this advice will reach you soon enough, to take the necessary measures, for the securing the Hon̄ble Companys Effects, and yourselves against any design of the Enemy, should they be projecting an Expedition to the West Coast, which it is more than likely they will do, if our situation there is communcated to them. Your Honor &c^a^. Council are the best Judges what steps are proper to be taken at this Juncture and I am unacquainted with Our Hon̄ble Masters affairs there at this time; I can only observe to you in general, with respect to keeping possession of the Country, there is no doubt

several contiguous places to Marlbro, were capable to be defended by a handfull of Men, against the Enemy that is now here, provided the Chiefs of the Country will ony afford you their assistance and supply provisions, which I imagine can hardly be doubted at present, from the late experience they have had of the oppressions by the French, against whom I am informed they are highly exasperated; If the Malays seem heartily to espouse the Continuance of the English, they will easily point out to you many places of secure retirement.

In the late unfortunate expedition for us against the West Coast, Moco Moco was found to be a place of the greatest difficulty to be taken of any of our Honble Masters Settlements, by reason of the great risques that are unavoidably run in landing the Men, at that time many were drowned, and the Count very narrowly escaped the like fate notwithstanding the Weather was as favorable, as it had ever been known, and as it is now, about the time, for the North West Winds to blow, any further attempt against that Place, will render it much more hazardous and precarious; The Count d'Estaing himself declared, he would defy any one to succeed was he to oppose their landing with only 150 Men, & had we done so, with the small force we had of but thirty men, the Count himself would have been made Prisoner. The French ships have no Guns run out at their lower ports, which are open and from their usual Parade, if they had any one would imagine, they would shew them; The reason may be, that they are deep loaded and from reconnoitring them in the Road, in smooth Water, it is striking that in any thing of a Sea they could not in their present situation use their lower Tier in acton, they have no heavy metal, Nine Pounders are the heaviest unless they should have Guns on board for their Lower Deck, which I apprehend would be twelves, they have omitted nothing to make themselves appear formidable by figures of Grenadiers &c^{a}. on their Quarters. From the nearness of one Porthole to another, it seems impossible that they could engage, with as many Guns as there are Portholes, which have I believe been pierced to intimidate. The Number of Men in the three ships I verily believe cannot exceed Twelve hundred; I am equally of opinion that one of our Ships with her Compliment of Men in health and clear for action, would be a match to lay alongside either of them, notwithstanding the superiority of Numbers, for the more Men they had, the greater havock would be made amongst them. The largest ship is the L'Argenson which has been in almost all the Engagements with Admiral Pocock, on the Coast except the last, and was condemned at the Islands, above eighteen months ago; In observing all their actions I think they are come to load provisions for the Mauritius, where they are in great want, but their destinatination [*sic*] may be altered. They have taken Houses & tomorrow request at Council Permission to sell their Iron &c^{a}. which cannot be landed in a hurry; I hope the North West Monsoon will break in before they can effect it; In a few days I hope to dispatch to Your Honor &c^{a}. Council further advices. In the interim it will be necessary that you station Buggasses and Coffrees at Manna and Salooma, to come express to give you notice of any sail being in sight standing your way; It is unlucky my first dispatch should be on so disagreeable subject wishing for more agreable Topicks to address you. I remain with great respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. hble. Servant
JOHN HERBERT.

BATAVIA
18TH. SEPTEMBER 1761.

To Frederick Vincent Esq^r^.

at Fort Marlbrō.

Sir

This my third endeavour to convey you advices, and I wish it may be more successfull than the two preceeding ones; The return of the Panchellong with Thomas Lines when she had made Saloomah Hills, gave me the greatest uneasiness, a violent Gale of Wind which carried away her Masts, drove her from Anchor, together with contrary Currents, rendered her fetching Fort Marlbro impossible, no remedy but patience; This was not the only mortifying News which arrived at the same hour as she did; I was also informed that your Boat and twelve people, were made Prisoners on board a French Ship, which lay dismasted and well in Shore, a few leagues to the southward of Buffalo point. It is a pity that one should suffer by doing humane acts; in the present case it must be submitted to, for I fear the Chevalier de Johannes, will not deliver them to me here, not even on the paying a considerable Ransom, it being inconsistent with his order to do so, however I shall use my Efforts, and Interest to procure their enlargement; which if not obtainable, they will be sent from hence to the Islands, and thence to Europe.

The dismasted French Ship abovementioned was the Mamoody formerly taken out of the Road of Muscat by the Count D'Estaing. She parted from the Mauritius in Company with the three Ships which are here: She herself is now near Onrust; one of the officers is come on shore and assistance gone out to her; she was in a very sickly condition [. . .] only twelve Guns, and if your Boats Crew had been armed they might easily have carried her. It appears to me that the French ships that are in this Road from all their Measures and Circumstances are really destined to the Islands to throw in Provisions, which they were greatly in want of and full of assurance, that they should be attacked there by the English; I imagine they will leave this Place in twenty days at furthest. From what I can learn they have plenty of ships as well as Men at the Mauritius, so that is very probable some of them will be dispatched on cruizing stations to intercept our Trade, it must be my particular study to carry necessary intelligence to our China Ships if possible, for which reason, I could on no consideration, think of leaving this place at present; Capt^t^. Balneaves arrived here last Night, as did the Success Snow a few days before. By the former I received the Councils Letter dated the 22^d^. August which demands no Reply. I am very sorry that sickness reigns among you, of which Our Enemies have notice by examining your Boats crew. If no reinforcement is arrived, I would for many reasons recommend Moco Moco; it is a healthy plentyfull Country, defensible by a handfull & in this Monsoon impossible to land at. The Correspondence with & application you have received from the Sultan, will furnish you with another reason; I am very much affraid, there will be some tricks played in that quarter.

I remain with due respect

Sir

Your most Obedient humble servant

John Herbert.

Batavia

9^th^. October 1761.

N°. 58.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^R^.
President & Governor &c^A^. Council at Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since my last Respects under date the 24^th^. of December, I have had the honor to receive your Commands, of the 11^th^. October elapsed, by which I was please to observe, that the Accounts which I formerly transmitted to Your Honor &c^a^. Council, had come to hand, and been laid before the Gentlemen of the West Coast for their Examination.

By the Sea Nymph which imported here lately from Fort Marlborough I had the pleasure to hear of the Earl of Temples arrival at Moco Moco and I make no doubt of seeing her soon here, for stores which they may stand in want of for the Settlements on the West Coast.

I shall doubtless at the same time receive Advices from M^r^. Ardley, which will be a great government to me, with respect to the time of my leaving this place, which you recommend to me to do, in order to assist that Gentleman.

Their Honors Ship the Revenge Commodore John Watson being here when M^r^. Tinker and his Squadron arrived, he has resolved to dispatch him to the West Coast, for which Place he will sail in about fifteen days. By him M^r^. John Gayer takes Passage: I am a Stranger to the Orders, that will be given to M^r^. Watson, but I beleive that if Nattal is yet in the Possession of our Neighbours, one part of them will be to dispossess them of it

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t^. & hble. Servant
John Herbert.

Batavia
1^TH^. March 1762.

N°. 59.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^R^.
President and Governor &c^A^. Council of Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This waits on you with a Muster of Salem Cloth, I this day received the enclosed proposals from one of the Merchants who used always to provide this Cloth.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
16^TH^. May 1762.

N°. 60.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^R^.
President & Governour &c^A^. Council of Fort S^T^. George.

Honorable Sir & Sirs

Inclosed you will receive the Accounts of this Place for the Month of March.

I take the Liberty to remind your Honor &c^{a}. of the several requests lately made for the Service of this settlement which I hope you will be pleased to comply with when an opportunity offers.

I am with greatest esteem
HONORABLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. & most Obliged Hum. Serv^{t}
THO^{S}. HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 8TH. MAY 1762.

N^{o}. 61.

TO THE HONBLE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL AT FORT S^{T} GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Muxadavad on which we had consign'd your Honor &c^{a}. three Lacks of Rupees for China having run on shore & it being very doubtful whether she will be able to proceed [on her] Voyage.

We have desired Captain Holford to receive on Board the Fort S^{t}. George one Lack from the Muxadavad & have Despatched the Syren Snow to receive the remaining two Lacks & proceed directly to your Port.

The five Lacks are therefore sent as follow.

Two on the Ship Fort S^{t}. George.
Two on the Snow Syren.
& One on the Ship Prince Edward.

We have directed Captain Ormstone to deliver our Letter to your Presidency which contains the Invoice of the Treasure to Captain Holford & also to transmitt you a list of the Marks & Numbers of the Chests sent by the Fort S^{t}. George & Syren Snow respectively.

We

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. Hble. Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
JOHN JOHNSTONE.
W. HAY.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 9TH. APRIL 1762.

N^{o}. 62.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since writing to you under date the 9th. Instant Captain Ormstone has returned to us in one of the Companys Sloops the whole of the three Lacks. We immediately dispatched one Lack of it by a Sloop to be put on board the Fort S^{t}. George but in Case that Ship should be sailed out of the River the whole of the three Lacks will be sent you on the Syren Snow which Vessel we now dispatch & request you will return Her to Us immediately.

By Her we send you Duplicate of our General Address to the Company by the Godolphin which you will please to forward by the first Conveyance that may be dispatched from your place for England.

The Leopard Snow [imported here the 12th. inst.] by her We received your Favour of the 25th. Ultimo with the several Papers enclosed, those of the Military Disbursements account His Majesty's 84th. Regiment We shall apply to Colonel Coote to certifie.

There must certainly be some mistake in your assay Masters Report of our Sicca Rupees for the Tower assays which we have received Year after Year always report them near thirteen penny Weights better than standard. With our next We shall send you Copy of those reports wth. our further remarks.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Hble. Servants
Henry Vansittart
&ca. Council.

Fort William
the 15th. April 1762.

No. 63.

To the Honble George [Pigot] Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter of the 25th. March and congratulate you on the arrival of our Honble Masters Ship Chesterfield, The General Lawrence likewise arrived with us the first Instant & enclosed is a packet for your Honour &ca. received by her.

It is with much satisfaction we observe the Gentlemen at Bengal have sent you a supply of Money for compleating the Stocks of any of our Honble Masters China Ships, in consequence of which We have directed the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry, after putting on Board as much Pepper as they may be able, to dispatch this ship the True Briton, to your Honor &ca. to receive as much Treasure as with what Goods she has taken in here and the above Pepper will make her stock equal to Forty Thousand Pounds agreable to our Honble Masters Commands; The Chief and Factors will accordingly transmit you [a calculate] of her stock which we hope your Honour &ca. will be able to compleat, and dispatch her with all possible Expedition to China.

Your Honour &ca. have been already apprized of our Intentions to send the Royal Captain to Bengal with a Cargo of Cotton but as the above supply of Money may probably enable you, to add such a Sum in Treasure, as with the Cotton, will make up the stock recommended by our Honble Masters for such ships as may be dispatched for China under the denomination of casual ships We shall order her to touch at your Port for that purpose, as we imagine this Method of employing her will prove much more agreable to the Honble Company than sending her to Bengal, which however your Honour &ca. will be pleased to do, should it be out of your power to make her up a stock for China.

The Gunpowder received from the Stretham in 1759 more than invoiced must have belonged to the ship as none was laden on her for Bengal. We shall on the return of the America & Falmouth (which we have not yet heard of) send you a supply of this Article.

Notwithstanding the reason which your Honour &c^{a}. assign for sending the Futtee Salem to Bengal the owners have again represented to us the Hardships they think that they have laboured under and the great loss they have sustained by the detention of that ship and the deviation made in the original Loan of her which was simply to carry the Troops to Pondicherry on our being distressed for Tonnage for that service, in which no Time could be lost, and tho' they did Assent to her being employed to Mauritius out of meer [*sic*] regard to the good of the Publick service yet they cannot help being of opinion it is a very forced Construction put upon their assent by your Honour &c^{a}. to think that you was thereby empowered to send your ship where you thought proper & detain her at pleasure which from your Letter of the 5th. September last appears evidently to have been the Case, and which induced the Owners to write us the Letter already transmitted your Honour &c^{a}. & as they still think themselves entitled to Redress they have submitted their Case to the Honble Company and desired us to represent the same to them accordingly.

Our Honble Masters ship York was dispatched the 10th. Ult^{o}. for Great Britain & the Calcutta the 28th. being both ordered to Touch on the Coast to compleat their Tonnage.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient [humble servant]
Cha: Crommelin
&c^{a}. Council.

Bombay Castle
5th. May 1762.

N^{o}. 64.

To the Honble Pigot Esq^{r}.
President & Governor &c^{a}. Council of Madrass.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Enclosed is duplicate of our Address under the 26th. March since when has arrived your favour of the 25th.

Agreable to Directions from the Honble the President and Council of Bombay having shipt on Board the True Briton Candies two Hundred (200) of Pepper amounting to Rupees 22423–1–20. We now dispatch her to your Honour &c^{a}. that her stock may be compleated to forty Thousand Pounds (40000) Sterling, they did direct us to transmitt you a Calculate of the stock already on Board her but have received no Account of the amount of what has been laden by them, it is only in our Power to acquaint you that they mention to us to have put on Board four hundred (400) Bales of Cotton & one thousand (1000) Surat Maunds of Putchruck, the Cotton & Putchurck together we imagine must amount to fifty Thousand (50000) Rupees.

We now return twenty four (24) Pioneers as ℔ List enclosed who have receivd their pay to the End of this Month. The others who are only detained on Account their Directions being wanted for demolishing some of our Out Forts will proceed by the next Opportunity.

Ship General Lawrence sailed hence for Bombay the 2nd. April and the Calcutta will leave this place in two Days for Great Britain.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
WM. HORNBY &CA.

TELLICHERRY
18TH. MAY 1762.

N°. 65.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Letter of the 21st. Instant acquainting me that you agreed to the Proposals sent by the Merchants which I have made known to them, particular care shall be taken that the Cloth corresponds agreable to the Export warehousekeeper's remarks on the Musters. I shall endeavour to make the Merchants bring in as large a Quantity of Cloth for the September Ship as possible, advances shall be made agreable to the Minutes of Consultation inclosed in your Letter of the 10th. Instant.

I am with respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
CHARLES TURNER.

CUDDALORE
26TH. MAY 1762.

N°. 66.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Letter of the 21st. & 24th. Instant the former advising of your have [*sic*] having sent sixteen Thousand (16,000) Pagodas over Land on Account of the Investment, as soon as it arrives I shall advance it to the Merchants, the latter acquainting me you approve of the Proposals of Bowanie Sancariah for providing Salem Cloth but recommend he will make it a little finer than the Muster. I have acquainted him thereof which he promises to perform.

I am with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
CHARLES TURNER.

CUDDALORE
27TH. MAY 1762.

N°. 67.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^R^.
President & Governor &c^A^. Council of Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This is only to acknowledge the receipt of sixteen Thousand (16000) Pagodas received last Night on Account of the Investment.

I am with Respect

[Honble Sir & Sirs
Cuddalore [Your most obedient humble Servant]
28^TH^. May 1762 Charles Turner.

N°. 68.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^R^.
President & Governor &c^A^. Council at Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We dispatched the Syren Snow to your Presidency the 15^th^. Instant and now enclose duplicate of our Letter under that date.

After we had sent all the Godolphins cargo down to the River and finished her dispatches She has been found upon survey not to be in fit condition to proceed on her Voyage to England for which reason we have turned her out of the Companys Service and Captain Roddom is bringing her up to Town to endeavor to repair her. Should he perform this so effectually that she may safely proceed on her Voyage, We shall reload & dispatch her as soon as possible. But should she be found to be too much decayed to admit of repair at this Place we shall want another Ship in her stead besides the Admiral Watson or Royal George mentioned in our Letter of the 4^th^. April.

And if nothing disappoints our present Hopes of a Good Investment for the ensuing Season We shall be able to give a Loading of the usual Amount to six Ships or if Tonnage scarce We may divide the whole upon five. We thought proper to give your Honor &c^a^. this notice as you will soon be informed of the number of ships taken up to come to India this season and we request thereupon you will so concert Measures with the Presidency of Bombay that we may be sufficiently provided with Tonnage for our Goods.

The enclosed Packet to the Honble the Court of Directors will inform you more particular on these subjects, and We request you will forward it by the first Opportunity to England.

Enclosed we transmitt your Honour &c^a^. a Copy our Mint Masters report upon the Assay of our Rupees made in your Mint together with Copies of the Towers Assays received in the Year 1759, 1760 & 1761. We send likewise six Arcot Rupees coined in our Mint and six received from Madrass which by the best Judges here are found equal, & We request your Honor &c^a^. will inform us how your Arcot Rupees are reported from the Tower Assay Office.

We mentioned in our Letter of the 4^th^. Ultimo a Complaint [about] Captain Lang for deficiency of Cloathing in that Battalion of Seepoys which he commanded and from which he made the stoppages. We have caused the said Cloathing to be made good to the Seapoys, and enclose a Note of the Amount being Sunault Rupees one thousand seventy seven which We request you will receive from Captain Lang and bring to the credit of this Presidency.

Enclosed is a Letter to the President & Council of Bombay which we request you will forward by Pattamar accompanied with a Copy of our Address to the Hoñble the Court of Directors with the several Papers enclosed which We could not conveniently send from hence as it wou'd make this Packet to [*sic*] bulky to be forwarded over Land.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Humble Servants
HENRY VANSITTART
&CA. COUNCIL.

FORT WILLIAM
26TH. APL. 1762.

P.S.—In your Letter of the Leopard Snow you have omitted sending us the Account of the Expences of that Vessel. We request you will forward it by the first opportunity.

N°. 69.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Last Night I received your Letter of the 31st. May accompanying fourteen Thousand (14000) Pagodas on Account of the Investment which shall be employed for that use.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servant
CHARLES TURNER.

CUDDALORE
6TH. JUNE 1762.

N°. 70.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have [. . .]

Agreable to what We wrote you the 26th. ultimo We have laden three of the further supply of five Laaks for China on the Muxadavad, and shall lade the remaining two Laks on the Fort St. George. Inclosed is Invoice of the said three Laaks by which you will observe that a part thereof is in German Crowns which we imagine will answer in China better than Rupees, especially as we gave no more for them than they would produce in our Mint clear of all Charges.

You mention that you have given us credit for the Guns & Stores you have received from Mazulipatam, but as the Countries acquired to the Company by the expedition We sent to Golconda under Colonel Forde are delivered over to

your Management & the Revenues received by you, We think it wou'd be more regular that you Credit us for the whole Expence of the said Expedition, against which Charge you will set the Amount of Revenues collected as well as the Guns of all Sorts of Wares & Stores taken there to enable you to make this Adjustment. We shall send you as soon as the General Books of this Presidency are brought up the Compleat Account of the whole Charge of the Expedition giving you credit for such sums as Colonel Forde received from the Rajah & collected from the Country as well as the Amount of what Prize Guns & Stores were brought down here.

We are obliged to your Honor &c^{a}. for your Intention to send us Captain Freake's Company of Light Horse; Lieutenant Gordon is arrived with Part thereof & We request you will transmitt us a Copy of the Company's directions relative to their pay and Establishment.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
HENRY VANSITTART
&C^{A}. COUNCIL.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 15TH. MARCH 1762.

N°. 71.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We wrote under date the 15th. Instant by the Muxadavad, Duplicate thereof we now enclose, we sent you on her three Laacks of Rupees & advised you we should send you two Laaks more for China, by the first opportunity. We now forward to you on the Prince Edward one Laack & shall in a few Days send the other Laack by the Fort S^{t}. George.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants
HENRY VANSITTART
&C^{A}. COUNCIL.

FORT WILLIAM
29TH. MARCH 1762.

N°. 72.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Accounts of the Camp Expences under Mess^{rs}. Walsh and Maunsell, being forwarded by those Gentlemen to you without having any Copy delivered

to us here & wanting to refer to them, We request you will forward them or a Copy to Us by the first Opportunity.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
HENRY VANSITTART
&CA. COUNCIL.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 8TH. APRIL 1762.

N°. 73.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I am sorry to acquaint your Honor &ca. that we had on the 23rd. Instant a most terrible Gale of Wind, which has nearly destroyed the Black Town, and much damaged the Company's Buildings, the particulars of which I now enclose you an Account of and request your leave to repair them.

I am with the great esteem

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient [humble servant]
THOMAS HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 25TH. MAY 1762.

ACCOUNT OF THE DAMAGES THE SEVERAL BUILDINGS IN VIZAGAPATAM HAVE SUSTAIN'D BY THE GALE OF WIND.

CHIEFS DWELLING HOUSE.

The outhouses and Cook Room partly untiled and the Windows & Doors with their Frames to the Northward & Southward blown in.

ASSISTANTS HOUSE.

The Godowns & Cook Room partly untiled and several of the Doors & Windows blown in.

WASHING & BEATING GODOWNS.

The Roof entirely destroyed & the Windows & Doors shattered to Peices.

WASHING GODOWN AT WALTEER.

The Door beat in, and the Roof Partly untiled.

SEA SIDE BATTERY, GUARD HOUSE.

Entirely destroyed.

MIDDLE BATTERY GUARD HOUSE.

Partly untiled.

SORTING VIRANDA.

A Beam Broke & otherwise much damaged.

N°. 74.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^R^.

President & Governor &c^A^. Council of Fort S^T^. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Honour &ca. Favour of the 25th. March with Duplicate of the 8th. of same Month but for want of the extract of Mahomed Esouf Cauns Letter (mentioned to be enclosed in the original) We are at a Loss to know what terms Mehomed Esouf Caun has offered to supply the Salampores No. 4. 10 Caul; we should be glad to receive eight Thousand (8000) Peices first sort at Manapar at the rate of five Arcot Rupees ℔ Peice unbleach'd, provided he assists us with People to wash the same at our Expence & remove any obstructions we may meet with from the Dutch at the above Place, these proposals we have already made to Esouf Cawn as we approve of the Musters he has sent us which he does not chuse to accept of unless we receive the Cloth at Callemcudy the Expence in removing of which from thence to [Coletchee] would make it turn out to dear shall therefore defer writing him again on the subject untill we hear further from your Honor &c^a^. nor can we come to any conclusion untill assured we can embark the Cloth at Manapar without being molested by the Dutch as transporting it from Callemcudy to Coletchee by Land Carriage would turn out very heavy charge exclusive of the Customs of two fannams ℔ Peice which we shou'd be obliged to pay the King of Travencore.

Our Hon̄ble Masters Ship York sailed from this Place the 8th. Instant for Great Britain, the Calcutta will likewise leave this Coast for Great Britain in this Month.

We remain with Respect
Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants
T. Whitehill &c^A^.

10th. May 1762
Anjengo.

N°. 75.

To the Hon̄ble George Pigot Esq^R^.

President & Governor &c^A^. Council of Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Favors of the 12th. 14th. 26th. and 28th. May, also the Cowles of the several Farms, which shall be delivered with the present to each agreable to your directions, And, I have given publick Notice that in future all Goods Imported here by Europeans, Moors, & Gentues, are to pay a Custom of three ℔ Cent.

Immediately upon the receipt of your Orders concerning the Investment I forwarded a Copy of them and the Minutes of Council to M^r^. Dolben at Bandarmalanka, & desired he would call all the Merchants before him [& acq[uaint them that you agreed to the several Prices in their sealed proposals and would make them an advance of 25 ℔ Cent on the contract. To this last I thought they would Object but to my very great surprise I yesterday received the inclosed Letter from M^r^. Dolben, by which it appears they will not

undertake the Investment at the Prices they themselves proposed. As to their plea of your new Orders to have Cloth 16, 18 & 24 Punjums it can have no weight as they well know that in all their [contracts with] the Company those were the Number of Punjums [. . . tho' they] freely confess that instead of it they used to deliver 12, 16 & 20 Punjums. And when they came here to make their Proposals, I assured them not one peice of such stuff as they have brought of late Years would be accepted, nor any O Chop allowed. I must own myself utterly at a Loss what to say to this extraordinary Behaviour, as I can in no shape Account for it. Mr. Dolben seems to believe it may be occasioned by the Dutch at Policote & Jaggernautporem having raised the Prices of Cloth but I know this to be an old pretence, they offer to make new Musters of real 16, 18 & 24 Punjums that your Honor &ca. may be sensible of the great difference between that & what they hitherto furnished altho this will be attended with the inconvenience of delaying the Investment. I now see no other Measure to be taken with them, you will observe they have omitted telling what Price they will make the 16, 18 & 24 Penguim. I have wrote to Mr Dolben to know & shall forward the Answer to you the Moment I receive it.

The Flagstaff at Bandarmalanka was Blown down a few days past & it is too rotten to be of any further service, it will cost about about 70 Pagodas to set a new one which shall be done if it meets with your Approbation, it is of great use in guiding the Vessells into the River.

Inclosed you will receive the Monthly Accounts for May.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIR[S]

MAZULIPATAM — Your most obedient humble Servant

5TH. JUNE 1762. — RICHARD FAIRFIELD.

TO RICHARD FAIRFIELD ESQR.
CHIEF AT MASULIPATAM.

SIR

I am obliged by your Favor of the 21st. past with Copy of the President & Councils Letter & Extract of Minutes of Consultation, upon receipt of which I immediately wrote to [. . .] the Merchants those of Munda Pettah havng been gone [. . .] arrived but yesterday which is the reason I have not replyed to it sooner.

In Obedience to the Orders & Directions contained therein I have laid before the Merchants every thing relating to the Investment, acquainting them of the great complaints made of the Cloths & more particularly the Ordinary, that the Company were resolved to have none without they could have it of a much better sortment than what has been delivered in latterly & that no O chop or short Measure of any kind would be accepted, but that the Cloths must be made in such a manner as that they must Measure when washed two & one quarter Covids Broad & seventy two Covids Long (as the Merchants have had an Ill Custom of stretching there Cloths brown in those Parts which come to the Measuring Pole which must have given rise to the Complaint of the Cloth being barely yard wide as the Cloth after being washed must return to its natural Breadth), that all due Encouragement wou'd be given them and their Cloth sorted to good Numbers if it deserved it, but that they must reduce the Number 2 which was too high in Proportion to the other Numbers & that their Cloths must consist of 16, 18 & 24 Punjums which is the Number of threads mentioned in the President & Councils Letter & finally that they were under a great Obligation to the Pre-

sident & Council for complying with their Proposals as also of the advance which they were pleased to allow of one quarter of the Value, both which were done only in Consideration of the improvement of the Manufacture and that they might have no excuse whatever for bringing in bad Cloth, the Merchants desired leave to withdraw & presently returned & gave me the following Answer.

That as the President & Council were pleased to acqua[int] them of being under an obligation so they shou'd acknowledge [it] on all occasions and that the advance of one Quarter of the value of the Cloth was very reasonable and as much as they desired, but that they must beg leave to lay before the President and Council their incapacity to bring in Cloths of [supe]rior a quality to what they brought in formerly that [. . .] under no Expectation of an order for 16, 18 & 24 [. . .] the proposals they [. . .] the same sorts as they have been accustomed to deliver only that it shou'd be good of those Sorts and full Measure that the Cloths provided before were called 15, 19 & 23 Punjums, but that in reality the Cloth never counted in threads more than 12, 16 & 20 Punjums, that Cloths of 16, 18 & 24 Punjums right tale will cost considerably more from the Weavers Hands than the Prices delivered in their Proposals which was for Cloth of the old Manufacture, & that therefore they cannot help declining to make any Contract with the Company on these Terms which shou'd they accept they must inevitably lose so much that it wou'd render them incapable ever to pay in their Ballance; that the Prices in the Proposals were the same they formerly received & that the same sort of Cloths that they used to deliver for those Prices, they can deliver now, but that as the President & Council have been pleased since they have given in their Proposals to send a new Order for a new Sortment of Cloth which was impossible for them to foresee, they are thereby made unable to make a contract with the Company except on such terms as they gave in their Proposals for, that if the President & Council will please to give them leave they will make new Musters of the three different sorts of 16, 18 & 24 Punj^{ms}. at which time they say the President & Council will be sensible from the great difference in the Cloth of their Inability to deliver it at the Prices given in those Proposals.

Lackum Chitty gave in his Answer exactly to the same Purport as the other Merchants.

It is a Matter of much concern to me that my utmost endeavors on this occasion to persuade the Merchants to Contract on the above terms were with [. . .] with them, they one & all declaring that it was impossible for the[m] to undertake it.

I am with respect

SIR

Your most Obed^{t}. hble. Servant

GEO: DOLBEN.

BANDARMALANKA

2^{D}. JUNE 1762.

N^{o}. 76.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

[PRESIDENT AND GOV^{R}.] & COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I acquainted you in my Letter of the 5th. Inst^{t}. [. . .] Merchants had refused to stand to their [. . .] under Pretence of new orders for

[. . .] what I had wrote again to Mr. Dolben to know at what rate they wou'd contract to furnish Cloth of those Punjums. Mr. Dolben in reply writes, that he called upon the Merchants to propose their Terms when Lachim Chittee Mulloo, Shanah Antravidee, Merah Mulloo & Cauma Chittee Paupiah assured him they could not undertake to make Cloth of 16, 18 & 24 Penjums, as they cannot induce the Weavers to undertake it and that should they give in proposals, for what they think such cloth worth they should only gain displeasure as was even the Company to agree thereto, that no Quantity of such Cloth could be procured, for as the Dutch buy Cloth of the old Manufacture the Weavers will never be persuaded to set about a New one.

Lackim Chittee Erapah & Gundah Ommiah say notwithstanding the Punjums Cloth may be good or bad, according to the Goodness or badness of the Woof or cross threads, & that therefore without they see a Muster for a standard they cannot give any proposals, that if there is no Muster they will make one themselves.

As it seems impossible to bring the Merchants to undertake to make Cloth with the Number of Threads prescribed by our Honble Masters List of Investment, I humbly offer it to your consideration whether as the Cloth chiefly complained of is the Ordinary it would not be most advisable to let that Article be entirely provided at Vizagapatam where it has always been cheaper & better than at Ingeram or Bandarmalanka & Contract on the Old Terms for the fine & Middling which I heard is esteemed better than what has been provided at Vizagapatam, notwithstanding the Merchants Confession that it is only 16 & 20 Punjums.

I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servant

Richd. Fairfield

Mazulipatam

9th. June 1762.

No. 77.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

This [is to] enclose the Account of [this] Settlement for the Month of May, together with an Indent for Hospital Cloathing which is much wanted here.

I am with respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servant

Charles Turner.

Cuddalore

17th. June 1762.

N°. 78.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

1st. The Plassie being to proceed to Batavia to carry thither Mr. Marriot, get some repair and return hither with the necessary Articles we are in Want of, since no opportunity has offered before, that I cou'd address your Honour &ca. I am willing to trust the Chance of a Conveyance from Thence, though as that is precarious & perhaps may bring you these Advices later than those I shall send in the Osterly, which I hope to dispatch by the Time you have stipulated, I shall be less full in this Letter abstracting only the Minutes of what has passed with me since I left Madras; Indeed I wrote a few Lines to go by a Vessel we met at Sea bound to Bengal, but through an Accident she left us without my Letter; it was of no Consequence but to acquaint of our being obliged to cut out of Tranquebar Road, where we saw nothing of the Vessel we went in Quest of, and the Weather was too bad to stay on the Coast to search further; I presume your Honour &ca. heard of us from thence, as I wrote a short Letter on Shore for Information about the Sloop as soon as we came to Anchor.

2nd. We got clear of the Land, I cannot say without Damage from the Gale, for besides the Loss of a great Part of our live stock, the Injury done to most of the Cargo by Water that was shipped is indeed considerable.

3rd. Our Voyage afterwards was very tedious through contrary & light Winds, which were frequent obstacles to us the whole way to Padang, & it was still the more disagreeable by Reason of the Want of sufficient Provisions for the Seapoys as well as Ships Company, the Quantity that was laid in being far from equal to the purpose, it was to serve, the consequence was that we were obliged to break in upon our Marlbro Consignment, which indeed contributes to so many Calls that I fear We shall be in Distress long before we have fresh Supplys. Rice, Doll & Ghee (material Articles for our Principal People) are near expended already, the two last of which we can only expect from the Coast or Bay; & I have besides three ship [*sic*] two snows & Sloop craviny them. Our Money is likewise subject also to the like Consumption. The Earl Temple, Diligent Snow, the Plassie a Ketch and a Sloop have each their demand upon me for Cash, the two former are very large, since the one claims a great Part of the Crews Wages, & the other the whole which I am obliged to pay as will appear to your Honour &ca. more at large, when I address you fully by the Osterly.

4th. We arrived at Padang the 4th. January & were received politely enough as to Entertainment, having that of the Governors House while we staid. which was longer than I wished for, but the delay through want of Boats, made it unavoidable; I delivered your Honour &ca. Letter & explained our wants to the Governor & Council which they would not engage to supply, before they were assured. We had no hostile Intentions with which Captain Vincent had threatened them. Your Honour &ca's. Precaution by the Reference to Batavia. enabled me to say I had no such Commission (the Letters that passed shall wait on you from hence). This procured us Liberty to purchase sixty Head of Cattle & other usefull Articles; & the service of the Cattle in clearing of the Ground is of most material benefit, though we have now only two Thirds of the Number, Boats we could not obtain at Padang & the Want of them We are severely sensible of, as will be seen when I speak of the Shipping. I had the good Fortune to meet with a small Sloop three Days before our Departure which we find of Use.

5th. The 21st. January we went on Board for Moco Moco but were six Days in getting there; where I found two Gentlemen placed by Captain Vincent. I had the young Sultan & others of the Family on Board the Day after my Arrival, & purposed going on shore, but the Loss of one Boat out of two, & the high surf of the Qualloe preventing a Communication with the Shore another Day, made it too dangerous to risque the want of Water, by staying any Time so that I sent Mr. Fivery with twenty five Seapoys to take Charge of the Settlement & Mr. Idell having Business of his own to transact there, accompanied him with the Presents for the Old Sultan (the young one receiving his on Board) To this Gentleman, I gave Directions to procure me an Exact Account of the State of the Place, of which I shall speak hereafter, Having done all I could at Moco Moco, We sailed and arrived here the 4th. Ultimo, where appeared such a scene; as cannot be conceived from description. A Guard of about twelve emaciated Men in red Coast, that seemed to come to salute us from those who where [*sic*] in their Graves, shewed near half the Garrison including eleven Coffrees & the small remains of the Covenant Servants bore equal Testimony in their Countenances of what they had undergone. The two I bought with me from Moco Moco made the Number five, the whole of whom to this Day have only Intervals of Health, & two of them scarce any. The Habitations (barely coverings from the Weather) are very unsuitable Commodations for those who dwell in them, yet such as they are they greatly exceed what they found on the Landing first from the China ships, when every one was exposed to the Inclemency of the Weather, the Destruction of above one hundred & fifty People.

6th. Immediately after receiving the Charge of the Settlement from Captain Vincent, I desired he would by writing afford me some insight to the Condition of the Place & of the steps he had taken towards forming it into Order, accordingly when his Health permitted him he drew up a Recital of his transactions, which prove his having taken much pains, although the Difficulties he laboured under obstructed in a great Measure his Design. I likewise directed Captn. Frazer, the Eldest Officer of the Military to lay before me what came under his Cognisance which he has done, as will be seen by your Honour &ca. in the Copy of his Letter, which I purpose transmitting by the Osterly as well as Captain Vincent's Report & some others which the Assistance I have is not sufficient for ye. Transcribeing in Time, neither would it be so secure to send them by the Channel this goes.

7th. The Day after our arrival came in here the Bonita Ketch Captain Forrest from Bengall & sailed in a few days on a Coasting Voyage.

8th. On the 20th. of February the Diligent Snow arrived from Madagascar with fifty Slaves bought for the Company, she left that Island the 22nd. November had not seen the Prince Henry Packet, nor any other Vessel than one with French Colours which chased her for some Time till Night favoured an escape.

9th. The Osterly appeared the 25th. Ultimo a very wellcome sight as she contained such stores that we began to feel the want of, by her I had the Pleasure to receive your Honour's &cas. Favor of the 1st. & 3rd. of January, the Contents of which shall be obeyed, & I am glad you thereby concur in the step, I had ventured to take concerning Mr. Moor, that Gentleman assists me likewise in the Office of Secretary, which none of the new Servants can be supposed equal to, Messrs. Nairne & Donstone are also both extreamly serviceable to me.

10th. Some days before the Osterly arrived a complaint being lodged against Mr. John Smith late Chief Mate of the Earl Temple of his having been guilty of Sodomy & the Ships Company being most furiously enraged against him I was under the Necessity to set him aside from the Charge of that Ship which Captn. Vincent was so kind to undertake till we should hear of Captn. Foster,

the Death of that Gentleman left the Ship destitute of a Commander & as Captain Vincent had his own Ship to engage his Attention I judged Captain Macleshin (whom the Company once recommended to have their Ship the Duke) to be the only proper Person I could employ as Captain of the Temple, the Mates who were in Succession being generaly thought unfit for such a Trust & Mr. Call the third Mate could not be put above them with so much Propriety as Captain Macleshin. He was no sooner aboard the Ship than the whole Crew clamoured for their Wages & Discharge both which they insisted on as conformable to their Agreement with Captain Foster when they left England if they were out a Twelvemonth, it was to little purpose to Argue against this with a Copy of the contract which (the original being either at Madrass or Bombay) they denied being true, however at Length by engaging to pay them two Months Wages in Six, as that Agreement specifys & also promising they should after fetching our stores from Malacca, be dispatched to China to go from thence to Europe, they seemed appeased, though how Long the calm will last is uncertain among a set of the most desperate Fellows. I hope now ever if the Letter I write to Captain Tinker meets him he will be able to relieve us with some of his People, the whole that has passed on the foregoing subjects will attend you with Captain Vincent in whose ship, I purpose sending Smith to take his Tryal. The wants of the Earl of Temple are inconceivable, she requires stores of every sort, & should she ever reach England, I fear the Company will find her Service very inadequate to the Expence of Maintaing her, Joseph Tarn the Purser is also dead & the Accounts of the ship so ill kept up, that there will be scarce the satisfaction of knowing how her Charges have arose, or her Materials been used; on the Death of this Man I ordered his papers to be searched for what might be relative to the Company & what have been found are under Examination. Captain Macleshin being Commander of the Ship has taken Charge of Mr. Tarn's affairs as Mr. Edwards the late Surgeon of the Temple has done in respect to Captain Forsters by Virtue of a joint Agreement.

11th. The Diligent Snow being to be employed in India I have allowed Captain Woodcoock to whom the Command has devolved to exchange such of his Europeans as he can spare for an equal Number of Lascars out of the Temple, & as it agreed by Contract that these people should receive their Wages here unless the Snow soon returns to Europe, I have been applied to for the same which I cannot refuse. This Vessel being near the Burthen of one hundred Tons. I am about sending her to Moco Moco for the pepper in those Parts & I am in hopes to have her return in Time to load it on the Osterly, whom I shall nevertheless order to Manna to collect there the Tonnage designed for her, & which If my Information is true is only half what those districts can furnish.

12th. The Nancy Ketch purchased by Mr. Herbert at Batavia for the Company & loaded with Arrack Sugar &ca. when her whole Cargo is taken out shall go to Croee to receive the pepper in that Neighbourhood, the scarcity of Boats & want of Warehouse Room has been the Cause of her being not yet cleared, though she arrived so long ago as November, she brought Intelligence that three French Men of War had been at Batavia besides the Mamoodie who was taken at Gomboroon & is the same Ship from which the Osterley run away, two of these were about their departure for the Mauritius with Stores & the two strongest tarryed as it was thought to wait for our China Ships, I hope however they have been disappointed.

13th. The Plassie being in Need of repair is proceeding for that place with Mr. Marriot, whom I have instructed to send me what Plank and other Necessary's she Can bring, the particulars of which I have pointed to him. I have also by the same Conveyance addressed the General & Council, & the Commander of any Detachment from our Squadron that may be there inclosing your Letter concerning the seamen.

14th. I have already mentioned to Your Honour &ca. Reports to be sent you directly from hence, among which in those relating to the Company's Stores, I am too sensible you will have little cause to be satisfied, the Condition of the Place, that of the Gentlemen who had the Charge thereof, & the demands from all Quarters will I apprehend, when the whole comes to be compared, appear to have caused such a Consumption without a clear description, as nothing but unavoidable Circumstances can be an excuse for, & the Misconduct of People of the Earl Temple who are now no more has been the Destruction of many Goods for which we shall hardly to obtain recompence.

15th. From a Representation of Captain Macleshin that the Ballast he would want in the room of the Salt on Board the Temple would detain him a long Time to take in so that there would be no prospect of his being here in good Season to proceed to China & as We have some Salt agreed to be brought by Captain Vincent, I shall only take from the Temple Twenty Coyan & order the rest to be sold at Malacca for the Company's Account, which will occasion a Supply of that Article being necessary for us by the first Opportunity. Rice likewise I fear will be scarce, therefore would request twenty Garse at least, the small remains of Doll & Ghee recovered from the Temple will be out in a very little Time & till we are recruited therewith, the poor Seapoys & Lascars will be sorely distressed.

16th. The Hospital Cloathing is mostly damaged but Death has provided against our feeling much want of those Things.

17th. What other Articles are requisite I shall recollect against my next Address.

18th. The People of the Country in General profess a satisfaction at our Resettlement among them & have most entered into fresh Contracts with the Company promising to attend thereto by cleansing their Gardens & setting about new Plantations, for few remain undestroyed through Neglect or Roguery; the dry Pepper in the Country being the last Harvest that seems to have been sought after or wished for by many, it is pretty considerable if the Accounts I have may be depended upon, being altogether to the Amount of six hundred Tons the most of which lyes to the Southward & the price of it, if all gathered will cut deep in our Treasure.

19th. Though the most considerable of the Pangaran's or Heads of the several Countrys have shewn no disgust at our coming here, on the contrary have pretended to be well pleased, the usual Artifice of the Malayas has been apparent in some to try what Scope they could take by which they might establish Precedents to their Advantage in which Tryal the Pangaran of Sillebar went a fatal Length, he was here at a general Assembly, when a Person whom Captain Vincent had sent for from Salooma where he had beeen plundering & distressing the Country, was brought to examination, & proved by his own acknowledgement guilty in part, though as the Persons were not arrived who complained of being immediately injured, he was ordered to remain in Custody, but this Pangaran to whom the Man was related requesting that he might be permitted to go to Sillebar promising he should be forth coming when called for, I (willing to oblige the Pangaran whom I thought I might trust) committed my Prisoner to his charge but when I demanded him to return a few days after, on the Accusers coming, the people I sent the Messuage [*sic*] by were not suffered to take Hold of him. I then wrote to the Pangaran requiring him to bring his Man or at least send him to me, but to as little effect, yet as he promised to come up himself. I waited many Days 'till finding by preparations that I was informed were making, his Design was to resist my Power in defence of his relation, I thought it necessary by shewing at once that we were not to be trifled with to let others perceive the Conduct they had to depend upon, therefore ordered what

I judged a secure party to proceed by Night to the Village, where the Pangaran dwelt & if possible by suprize [*sic*] to bring away him and his Relation, but being obliged to employ Sailors in transporting the people up the River, the unruliness of them as well as our own Seapoys alarmed the Pangaran, who with his sons assaulting our People met their deaths notwithstanding all my Precautions against Acts of Violence, unless in self defence; the principal we sought made his Flight, as did another son of the Pangaran, which last I am inviting down to settle the Commotion, this Accident has at present created & I hope to make every Thing quiet in a short Time, unless the Person who was the first Cause should be able to dissuade the son from Reconciliation, & even then we may have less trouble than in the Fathers siding with this Man, & one thing makes it not so material, that is the Country thereabouts never was of Consequence in producing pepper.

20th. Pangoolo one of the late Pangarans of some districts about Manna though heretofore thought a very usefull Man to the Company was deposed by Captain Vincent on the complaint of his people that he was addicted to every Vice that tended to spoil the Country. Captain Vincent seems clear in what he has done, but the Pangaran says he is abused, however as I have not yet seen the Manna People, I have my opinion suspended thereon, in the mean time he is allowed seven Dollars pr. month to support him.

21st. The want of proper Persons to entrust with the Care of the Out Settlements, is as in every Branch a most sensible impediment to their Prosperity, the little help I have here is to [*sic*] small to execute the Business of this Place with any degree of Regularity, & without that I know not how it could be transacted at all. Mr. James Stevenson the Surgeon has however offered his service (as We have Mr. Edwards of the Temple) to go to Croee to collect in the Pepper, & adjust the Company affairs there, in which he will be of Material use, & I must be deprived of Mr. Donston's Assistance in Accounts a few Weeks while he goes to Manna to Ship the Pepper there, yet at both these places Residents will be wanting when these Gentlemen return as they must do.

22nd. The Condition of the Fort is such, that it must come entirely down, though it was to be fixed again on the same spot, the Bastions are not only destroyed but the Curtains undermined a considerable Length & the whole a peice of Ruins, the Apartments therein are run up with Bomboes & [Allops] for present Service but must be also removed, for substantial Work to be erected if it should be hereafter judged proper to continue the Settlement at this Place, the Godowns are of the same Materials except some whose Brick Walls are left standing, the Habitations I am about for the shelter of the Gentlemen & others are also Temporary, as the Time spent in Brick Works are too tedious considering our great want of Houses, three or four Gentlemen being now obliged to Lodge together, when sometimes two of them are down with sickness in the same Room, & if any more were to come just at this Juncture there is not a place to lodge them in, the like Necessity requires Temporary Hospitals, the Expence of all which must be repeated again must be borne, if we expect to preserve a Man alive.

23d. The Godowns & Houses at Out settlements are mostly ruined but I have ordered such as can be repaired to receive the pepper out of the Country, to be refitted for that purpose & temporary ones built were there were [*sic*] no remains of the old Buildings.

24th. Your Honour &ca. have already been acquainted of the Reduction among the covenanted servants, as well as the Military, the Commandant of whom Captain Lawrence died in October last, our Corps of Artillery is going the same Way, the Serjeant & one Man are dead, the rest are such debauched unruly Wretches as Captn. Wells should have been more carefull in picking for this service where the greatest Care is not enough to preserve Life, which is a sure Forfeit to any Excess.

25th. The French Artificers like others of that Rank fall off through the same Cause as the Soldiers which the want of proper makes them the more subject to & as it is too probable, that the Dimunition of their Numbers will not stop. I have been induced to entertain two Carpenters & some other usefull People from the ships, who if not absolutely in Request now most likely will be so, when they may not be found.

26th. The Service Mr. Stevenson may be of at the Out Settlements has led me to take into pay Mr. Patrick Edwards, late Surgeon of the Earl Temple, & the Surgeons Mate of the Osterly, the French Man brought from Madras being of so little use that I shall return him by that ship.

27th. I have received so many Applications for Money which so many Accounts must be digested before the whole will be paid, that I defer the speaking thereof, till I can lay the same altogether before your Honour &ca.

28th. All the Accounts of Disbursements before I arrived are so unsettled as you will perceive in reading Captain Vincent's Letter, that it would engross the whole Time of one Person to examine & adjust the same, which there is yet no one who can give that sole Attention to, but it shall not be neglected the Moment we can set about that work.

29th. The Commissions granted by Captain Vincent to the Military Officers they still act under, as I think it better to be guided by your Honor &ca. in that Matter, before I confirm or alter them, on which subject I shall write by the Osterly more fully.

30th. I have thus run my Letter to a greater Length than I expected at setting out, but as I could not touch on every Head I thought it proper to speak something of, without some Prolixity, I must beg your patience, which will by this Means be less tryed in my next. I now conclude with my sincere congratulations on your success before Veloor & am with great Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

25TH. MARCH 1762. Your most obedient & humble Servant

FORT MARLBRO SAML. ARDLEY.

SUPPLEMENT

It is a satisfaction to me than I can add to my Letter the Account of having pacifyed the People of Sillebar whom both fear or resentment, might have kept Longer back from coming to settle the Affairs of their Country, on the contrary they arrived here, & though concerned for the loss of their Chief, shew only an Indignation against the Man who by sheltering himself with the old Pangaran, was the real cause of his Death & has now made off; the Pangaran's Son I have invested with his Fathers Title by the Approbation of all the Head Men, & they every one promise to exert themselves in the Improvement of the Country but as their Village was notwithstanding my Injunction against Plunder stripped by the Sailors &ca. they represent their Condition to be such that Humanity as well as Policy has led me to give the Pangaran one hundred dollars, & the Inhabitants of the Village whose Effects were lost sixty Dollars, with some presents of Chints an Expence very inadequate to what the Company must have sustained had these people made Head in the Country & obliged us to follow them before they were reduced, I hope therefore my Conduct herein will meet your Honour &cas. Approbation, as I am already convinced of the good Effect this stroke has produced, where might have soon found more detrimental opposition had not we shewn some such Instance of Resolution.

SAML. ARDLEY.

Just as I was about sealing my Packet Mr. Jas. Stevenson has applyed to me to grant him Bills on your Honour &ca. payable to Mr. John Calland or Order, for the sum of six hundred Pagodas in Exchange for nine hundred & sixty Spanish Dollars which I have accordingly received here into the Honble Company's Cash.

S. ARDLEY.

No. 79.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Fox Captain Alexander Hume having fallen to Leeward & lain in sight to the Southward of Poolo Bay thro' an opposite Wind from the 7th. instant arrived the 13th. in this Road with your Honour &cas. Advices under date of the 7th. of March and delivered in good condition the sundry Articles consigned from the Presidency of Fort William for the use of this Settlement. A supply which could not fail of proving very acceptable, and the more so as the Stores & provisions, which were shipped on the Earl Temple at Madrass, unfortunately suffered considerable Damage & Dimunition in our passage hither the Artificers are no less welcome since few of the French Men who came with me are good for any Thing.

This Attention given by the Gentlemen of Bengal to our welfare, as well as the readiness with which they are pleased to offer what future Assistance may be required, I have taken particular Care to notice and acknowledge in my Letter addressed to that Presidency by this Conveyance which I leave open for your Honors &ca. perusal.

The 14 Chests of Treasure your Honor &ca. consigned hither were indeed a very seasonable Recruit, for the Expences I have been obliged to defray had exhausted the Stock I brought very low. The particulars of my disbursement, I will endeavour to get ready by the Time the Osterly Sails.

As the Fox has had such an Expeditious Passage to this Coast and now proceeds on her Voyage to Batavia I entertain great hopes of her being able to reach Madrass in Time to answer your intentions of sending her to China.

The Plassie Captn. Thos. Hague sailed from hence for Batavia the 31th. of last Month having on Board Mr. Marriot by whom I had the pleasure of forwarding to your Honor &ca. some Account of the Company's Affairs on this Coast. I was in expectation of having it in my Power soon after the departure of that Vessel to send away the Earl Temple for Malacca, but the scarcity of Boats & other unforeseen Accidents already related have proved such impediment to the unlivering her Cargo, & supplying her with Ballast, as I have not hitherto been able to execute my Design; The detention of the Osterly has been owing to the same Cause, which Ship is now at Manna, receiving on Board pepper at that Place & Mr. Stevenson who took that settlement in his Way to Croe has orders to return the ship to Malborough before the expiration of this Month as I hope to dispatch her to Madrass at all Events the beginning of May, even tho she should be sent away without the full Quantity of Pepper intended, so that you design may not be frustrated [*sic*] of dispatching her early this Season for Canton, By the Osterly I purpose transmitting to your Honour &ca. a farther Account of my transactions, together with Copys of such Papers relative thereto as may be necessary for your Information, a transcript of Captain Vincents Report now waits on you and another shall go by him.

The Prince Henry Captain Reynolds is [not] yet arrived, we are however in hourly expectation of her. [She parted] from the Fox the 14th. March, but was thought to be seen again the 29th. I know not if I shall be able to give her the Loading your Honour &ca. requires if I put into the Osterly & Earl Temple what was limited for them, the whole that I have account of (and even that may fall short of the representation) being not above 600 Tons, unless I may be induced to put into the Prince Henry what she will take if I find I can dispatch her in Time to answer your purpose of sending it to China this Season, and leave for the Earl Temple to receive what remains as her unavoidable detainer here may make her passage more precarious and what she may want of pepper there will be doubtless Tea sufficient to make up; I heartily wish I had authority to sell this Ship for I see plainly she will prove a much greater Expence to the Company than her Service can be equivalent to. Since I wrote to your Honour &ca. last the Crew have been paid their demands, notwithstanding which Captn. Macleshin has been obliged to send out of the ship six of the most desperate of the sailors whom as he says were on the point of destroying him, three of them I have put into the Fox & the other three shall go off in the Osterly.

Smith late Chief Mate of the Temple whom I had under arrest, in order to send to Fort St. George to take his Tryal has made his Escape I believe to Batavia, his loss of commanding the Ship however is a punishment, tho not adequate to the heinousness of his Crime; inclosed your Honour &ca. will receive the affidavit of his guilt, & his conduct evinces too plainly the truth of it.

There now remains for me to add only that I am

With perfect Regard
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Saml. Ardley.

No. 80.

Diary. | Letters received. | Letters sent.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

April 15. 1st. I was in great hopes of being able to have dispatched the Osterly agreable to your Honour &ca. Instructions by the end of last Month, but the disappointment of my Wishes has been so unavoidable, that I persuade myself of being acquitted from Blame, there was no delay in unloading the Stores, but what the want of proper Boats and some days of bad weather occasioned, & at length when I perceived the Southwardly Winds were about to set in, I thought it prudent to order the Ship to go to Manna, where I had reason to think she would get the full Quantity of Pepper she was to take, though I directed Mr. Stevenson who offered his Service on the occasion not to detain her beyond the 25th. he kept her however till the 30th. in consequence of a latter Permission, when he dispatched her back with only Ts. C. Qr. lb. 51 6 2 12 owing to the badness of the Qualloe which was such as affor[d]ed

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no Room to expect he could compleat her Quantity in due time, and with that she now proceeds to Madrass, as by the Bill of Lading and Invoice thereof inclosed will be shewn.

2nd. The Prince Henry Packet when she arrives shall if possible bring you the Loading desired for her; but her deviation as will be hereafter spoke of I fear will prolong her dispatch beyond the Time limited.

MARCH 30. 3rd. My Addresses to your Honour &ca. by way of Batavia now go in Duplicate by which a general representation of the Affairs on the Coast is shewn, and my Diary with the Letters received and sent as well as such Accounts as could be prepared all of which go on the Osterley will give a full Relation of my Conduct & other occurrences to this Time. I shall nevertheless here present your Honour &ca. with a Brief Recital under the usual Heads.

OF SHIPPING.

FEBY. 20.
25.
APRIL 7. 4th. The arrival of the Diligent Snow the Osterly & Fox have been already noted.

5th. A Sloop under Dutch Colours passed at a distance from the Road 29th. March which we were informed by People from Northward was conveying to Batavia the Chief Man among the Malays at Padang, who was put into confinement while we were there, for rebelling against the Gover[n]ment.

MARCH 30th. 6th. The Plassie sailed for Batavia as has been already related.

7th. By advices from Moco Moco I am told the Diligent Snow arrived there the 20th. of last Month, which I had hopes would have been back in time to have shifted her Pepper on board the Osterley.

N°. 38.
APRIL 5th. 8th. I had intended long ago to send the Nancy Ketch to Croee, but Mr. Stevenson's presence at Manna being first necessary, I made use of her in clearing the Fox, whose departure was thereby expedited, that done she would have proceeded immediately to take in Mr. Stevenson, had not her want of Wood obliged her to go into Poolo to cut it, and also bring from thence 20 Gun Carriages landed there from the Earl Temple; she will now sail the first fair Wind.

9th. The Fox departed on her Voyage the 25th. Ultimo.

10th. It is surprizing that we have no Intelligence yet from Batavia, altho the Winds have been Southwardly some time past.

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N°. 51. 11th. The Earl Temple is but just now unlivered she has been six Weeks lying at Pooloo where she was first obliged to go thro the want of sufficient Cables and Anchors to ride secure in the Road, and being there she unloaded part of her Salt which was put in a

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			Godown at that place, & was supplied with Wood and Water, which I know not how long it would have taken up to have compleated here; She is now ready to sail for Malacca, and I have ordered Mr. Philip Manington one of the Gentlemen before there, and who understands the Dutch Language jointly with Captain Macleshin to adjust the Accounts, and bring away the Stores with all the expedition possible, having wrote to the Goverment [*sic*] there to thank them for their Care and desire their further Assistance towards the Shipping them off, I have also directed Mr. Mannington again to make an Offer of one Hundred Dollars each to Messrs. Koeck & de Vintz & to receive payment for the Beef & Pork mentioned in Mr. Frazer's Letter.
May 4th.			
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	No. 59 & 60.		12th. An unexpected Event has a good deal disconcerted me which is that of the Prince Henry Packet having touched at Natal the 13th. Ultimo where Mr. Russel has taken upon himself to turn out the Dutch and hoist the English Colours; the particulars of this extraordinary proceeding, your Honor &ca. will see described in his own Letter of the 16th. April; The Prince Henry's Detainer on this occasion must be wholly imputed to her touching at Natal; and the inconveniency it is to our present Affairs, which must be broke upon by sending thither people wanted elsewhere to keep Possession (since it is taken) proves too much the rashness of this Step and for which I think Mr. Russel deserves to be dismissed the Service, which he so extravagantly abuses, I am now under necessity
May 6th.			to order thither the Earl Temple in her Way to Malacca to carry twenty Seapoys and as many Buggueses,
	No. 77.		just to maintain our footing till we have it in our power to establish the Settlement properly. Mr. James Stevenson who is well acquainted with the Country and therefore the fitter person to entrust, has shewed great readiness on my desiring him to go on the Expedition as indeed he has done wherever he could be of the most Service to the Company, whom I am persuaded will duely reflect upon his particular Merit.
			13th. Before I leave speaking of the Earl Temple I must acquaint your Honour &ca. of my having ordered the carriages of the lower Decks Guns to be taken out, the Guns being stowed in the hold to stiffen the ship in which they will be of use, whereas on the Deck they only took up room without answering any purpose, since twice the Complement of the Earl Temples would be at least necessary was she to Fight a lower Tier, and even the Ports are so near the Water, that it must be quite a smooth Sea to venture them open; Pity it is a good ship should be thus spoilt for a purpose she will never Answer!
			14th. Though the Earl Temple's Complement is short of a fifty Gun Ship, it is more than sufficient

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			for her present state; I have therefore entertained besides the surgeon six of her Common people whom I had employs for wherein they were much wanted.
FEBRY. 16.	N°. 51.		15th. John Smith late Chief Mate of the Ship I informed your Honour &ca. escaped from his Arrest, and I have reason to think got away to Batavia the Method of my Proceeding with him will be seen in my Diary & I am certain the ship is more secure by his being out of her, the Damage of her Cargo, owing I believe a good deal to his indifference about it, is convincing to me that he had no regard to his Duty by which I think he has forfeited all Title to his Wages, which will scarce defray the loss occasioned by his Negligence, of which more will be observed hereafter.
	N°. 71.		16th. The demand made by the Crew of the Earl Temple of two Months Wages in six and what has been paid to those who were discharged from her has consumed more than a Chest of Treasure, the Account thereof as well as of other Charges attending the Ship on this Coast, I shall transmitt on her when she sails for China or to your Coast, should your orders concerning her be countermanded, for I fear she will hardly be back here from Malacca to attempt the China passage this Season.
		N°. 76.	17th. Herewith your Honour &ca. will receive the Journals Diarys, and Accounts of the Diligent Snow in order that the same may be forwarded to England.
N°. 49. N°. 51.		N°. 60. N°. 61.	18th The Osterley has in her three of the six sailors I mentioned in my last to be dismissed from the Earl Temple as dangerous Men whom as well as the three that were put on Board the Fox are rather suffered to be thus discharged the ship they were troublesome in, than sent as Prisoners which would be attended with many inconveniences; since that time there has been no disorder in the ship, and the Captain has great expectation of the spirit that prevailed being quite repressed. But this Ship seems destined to some Calamity or other; she came from Pooloo the 4th. instant from which time her people have fallen sick in great Numbers, Mr. Call the third Mate died the 14th. the loss of whom as he was a good Officer is more sensibly felt, where there are so few, and I have been obliged to procure the Company's Sloop Union a Master by taking the 4th. Mate of the Temple, who is now too ill to return to his Ship, the Chief Mate and Doctor were likewise diseased with the rest, however I have been informed they begin to recover.
	N°. 65.		19th. I have ordered the Captain to purchase at Malacca two Boats to supply the place of his long Boat lost at Madrass and Yawl which was carried away by two of his Men on our first arrival here, and has never since been heard of; He has orders likewise to buy a Boat for this place, where we are making for present use a punt or flat Bottom Boat, which may be very serviceable.

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			20th. A Snow called the Fanny commanded by Captn. Parkinson to whom and the Supracargo (Mr. Ruth) she chiefly belongs arrived from Bengal the 14th. Instant bound for Bussorah the Captain pretends to have come here to wait the South East Monsoon being set in.
May 14th.			21st. Advices from the Southward say that Mr. Tinker's Squadron was seen at a place called Serrim near Bantam that one of the Ships having lost a Mast was hawling on Shore in order to repair and that they told the Malays they were to go cruizing for two French Men of War in the China Seas, the Report mentions there being eight Ships together; tho as the news comes from the Malays every circumstance is not to be depended on.
			22nd. If none of the Kings Ships appear before the Osterley is sailed she will carry back the Seamen belonging to his Majesty.
			23rd. A poor Man that went on Board the Plassie with his Catamaran to assist her dispatch at Trimlewash, being by reason of the Storm brought away in that Ship, I have sent him according to his desire back in the Osterley.
May 7th.			24th. Captain Vincent having delivered in a Bill amounting to the Sum of 1558–82 principally on Account of the diet of the Seapoys &ca. on board his Ship from Madrass the same was discharged; he gave in therewith an Account of Stores and other Articles, he lent out of his ship for the use of this Place, which he requires to be restored or paid for, But most of them being consumed or still necessary for our Service, he has agreed to be referred to your Honour &ca. to replace such as are not returned him here, the account therefore goes under cover herewith.
March 29th.			25th. Captain Hague having applied for two Months pay due to his People, it was accordingly advanced him here, He was likewise lent a Boat belonging to the Diligent his own being damaged by oversetting among the Rocks.
May 3rd.			26th. A Tombongon attempting to go into Laye Qualloe, with Utensils and Stores for that place was foundered, half her Cost therefore according to usual custom fell upon the Company besides the Loss of 400 Bamboes of Salt.
March 17th.			27th. Sometime since a praw arrived from Croee which Captain Vincent had purchased on the Companys Account to send thither to prevent the attempts of Dutch Vessels that he had heard were endeavouring to encroach upon the Companys Rights; she met with none and is now employed in the service of lading and unloading here.

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OF GOODS IMPORTED AND EXPORTED.

28th. Under this Head the Company will see such a loss of the Stores intended for the Service of their Settlements as gives me pain to relate; I am however persuaded the cause from whence the deficiency's have arose in the stores that were brought in the three China Ships, will appear so unavoidable, as to clear those who have had charge of them from any unfavourable imputation the Accounts thereof attend your Honour &ca. in this Packet.

29th. I wish the Damage sustained in the Earl Temple's Cargo did not throw more blame on any one, But I must say I am of opinion that proper care might have preserved many Articles from perishing, altho the Effects of the bad Weather might be the occasion of some Injury to them; tho I cannot help observing that the large Quantity of Salt and Number of Bales belonging to the Captain which almost filled the ship, left scarce any room for the Companys Cargo, which except my own Goods were the only Things that suffered, those of the Captains being properly secured. I have tendered an Account of Loss to Mr. Patrik Edwards the representative of Captain Foster, who had given in Answer the remarks of which I enclose your Honour &ca. A Copy, from hence you will determine how far you deem Captain Foster's Estate responsible, and that it may not be out of your Power to stop any Money, if it should be judged proper so to do, I have instead of discharging all the demands of Captain Foster on the Company, left part to be settled by your Honour &ca. to which end you will receive herewith both the Account dificiencys of the Earl Temple's Cargo and Mr. Edwards Claim on the Company on behalf of Captain Foster for the Salt bought of him agreable to contract at Madrass, which is about the sum of short deliverys.

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MARCH 15th. N°. 31.

30th. The Salt on Measuring it on board the Ship at Pooloo turned out fifty Coyan One hundred and ninety Bamboos; Twenty one Coyan whereof were landed for the use of this place, and the remainder continued in the Temple as the taking it out and replacing the Weight of it with Ballast would have retarded her dispatch much longer, and there is some room to expect a supply from Batavia of what Mr. Herbert writes he has bought on the Companys Account, Nevertheless I am to request that Provision may be made for us in that Article from your side by the first Conveyance, as well as of Rice and other particulars specified in the accompanying Indent; What Salt is carried to Malacca I have ordered to be sold there except ten Coyan which I have directed the Captain to present for fear of Accidents.

N°. 82.

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APRIL 16.			31st. We have been at some Expence in the purchase of Grain out of the Country, the Rice that came in the Earl Temple proving so bad, that we were obliged to sell it at outcry, and the Fox's Cargo not being sufficient to insure us from Want.
MAY 12th.			32d. The Diligents Cargo for the Trade at Madagascar has also been sold and produced $ 51–25.
			33rd. Altho the amount of Pepper on this ship is small, I know not whether it is not better for the Company than a larger Cargo considering the circumstances in which I have been obliged to load it; the Want of Utensils to clean it properly has left it in such a Condition as may not give so good an impression of this Commodity of Trade with the Chinese as should be wished for at first setting out, which tho it might be sent thither in the best condition when the Settlements here were flourishing, cannot be so now, for this reason I could wish the pepper now on hand was to be ordered to its old Market England, where the defect might not be of so pernicious consequence, and if this Letter was to arrive in time for you to send me permission to dispatch the Temple Home with what she would carry instead of going with it to China It would in my Judgment be much the most eligible and she might also Answer the purpose of a Convoy by meeting the homeward bound Ships in their passage thro' the Streights next January.
FEBRY. 8.			34th. No Goods that have yet come from the Coast since the place has been resettled have been manifested, I have however levied Custom on all which were landed here and have publickly advertised that both Imports & Exports must pay the Companys Dutys.
FEBRY. 26.			35th. In my Letter to Bengal by the Fox duplicate of which is under cover I have told the President & Council, that I thought it most prudent to defer the sending hither Ophium on the Company's Account till the Northern Settlements were reestablished and the course of Business run in a more regular Channel as formerly, when it might Answer the Company's Intentions to have that branch in their hands. I am in doubt how far the being in Possession of Natal may be judged a reason to alter that system, thó I am inclined to be of opinion that the trade in this Article is not yet in a state for the Company to risque the disposal of any Quantity, and a few Chests are not worthy of their concern; this is submitted to your Honour &ca. consideration, if you conclude it advisable that consig[n]ments should be made from Bengal on the Companys Account, you will I presume write so to Bengal, and advise me how the same must be issued out.
FEBRY. 26.			36th. Agreable to your Honour &ca. directions I made application to the Representative of the late

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Captain Austin for an Account of what Goods he sold to the Malays on Credit, and what Presents were given by him on the Company's Account to which answer I received that all Captn. Austin's Accounts & Papers being at Batavia, he could not be certain what he had delivered; But that as he understood his Creditors on this Coast were mostly engaged to return pepper for what they had taken up, He requested that I would direct that the Debts should be stopp'd from the payments made by the Company for the Pepper that was engaged to Captain Austin, which I have ordered accordingly, tho he has bought it at such a disadvantage that the Company must sustain a Loss, which however is not so considerable as to be worth the contesting with the Country, it chiefly consists in the Measure of what has been received by Austin's People.

MAR. 16th. 37th. Captain Forrest having agreed to sell Captain Vincent about five Coyan of Salt, which remained unreceived till I arrived, I have accepted and paid for it.

N°. 44. 38th. Four of the five Horses I engaged to buy on the Companys Account at Padang, came over Land and I have received Advice from thence of the Money I deposited being paid for them.

39th. The Treasure that has been consigned to this place could not from the circumstances we are in be taken altogether out of the Chests to be weighed; but each chest when [opened] for use has been carefully counted which turn out one [. . .] another four thousand and fourteen Dollars.

his Letter 40th. Tho' Captain Vincent has applied to be reimbursed the Stores he has made use of or lent for the service of the Settlement which belonged to the ship, He has not charged for the particulars of his own private property expended in Housekeeping and otherwise on the Companys Account leaving it to the Company to consider the value of those Things as well as the general detriment his Fortune has sustained by his engaging in the Service he has undertaken on this Coast.

OF INVESTMENT AND COUNTRY GOVERMENT [*Sic*].

FEB. 6th. 41st. The first step I took towards an Enquiry among the Mallays concerning the state of the Plantations and to set on foot the restoration of them was to issue orders to the Chiefs of every Districts to repair to Marlbro, in order to give me personally an Account of the condition their respective Countrys were in and receive Instructions how to proceed to cultivate the Friendship of the Company returned to reestablish a footing with them as heretofore; The Meeting has been attended with some Expence in Treats and presents, which I hope the Effects will compensate, from Laye, Salooma, Allass, Tallo, Sillebar, and in short

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			all the principal Places betwixt Manna and Moco Moco bounds I have had the Heads of the several Doosons who all profess a great satisfaction, at our coming among them and promise to set heartily about the improvement of their Gardens and to shew their willingness they have each renewed their Contracts with the Company (except the people of Bencoolen who tho' I believe not the most sincere wait only the settling some Points too tedious to discuss while the dispatch of Ships so much ingrosses Time) they all acknowledge the ruin of the Plantations thro the Neglect, which
May 2.			fear and confusion has been the cause of, and as I have said heretofore the pepper now on hand is only the remains of a Former Growth, The Pangaran of single D Mowe or Laye his Country indeed has been the least neglected, there are some Inhabitants thereof who have yet got Gardens in being, But that is the only district where the People have not wholly given
	N°. 62.		themselves up to Despondence or Vice, Manna that was productive of large Crops seems quite in disorder and the Man who was reputed the greatest promoter of Industry is now represented as the most vile wretch in the whole Country insomuch that any apprehension had of his being replaced in the Gover[n]ment Captain Vincent set him aside from inflames [*sic*] the Manna people to the highest degree, those in the pre-
Feb. 13th.			sent Management perhaps are no more worthy, but it is not the Juncture to make a change among them till we are better settled, in the mean time this Man Pangooloo receives a pension of $7 – – ℔ Month in consi-
May 12.	N°. 66.		deration of his Wants and former Services, he has also been paid one hundred Dollars in part of a much larger sum due to him on Custom on pepper received
	N°. 62.		before the French were here. There are considerable sums claimed by others on the like Account not yet settled, Mr. Stevenson who went down to Manna to Ship off Pepper to the Osterley, has with great Judgment examined into the Affairs of those Quarters & represented them at large in his Letters on the subject. We must now lose the benefit of his Assistance to the Southward by the necessity there is for his going to Natal, Mr. Steuart will supply his Place and as he has both capacity and a knowledge of the Country I doubt not will be of great Utility, He will go likewise to Croee to gather the pepper and reform that place as well as Cowar. The Pepper in the southern parts by the Reports I have is as follows.

At Croee and its adjacent Countries	Bahars. 500
At Cowar	2 or 300
Manna &c[a]. including what is in the Osterley.	900
Salooma, Allass & Tallo	190

	N°. 62.		But from a deficiency already found at Manna I fear all other places will fall short of the Quantity spoke of, To the Northward are said to be at Laye & Polley about . . . . . Bahars 280 And From Cattoun to Moco Moco . . . 220

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42nd. In the Sultans Dominions I find the ruin of the Country has been more general than any where else owing I fear in great Measure to the Bad Intentions of those who ought and could have suppressed great Irregularities which I am informed they were themselves most forward in, the secreting both Companys and private persons effects seem'd too true a charge against the Sultans Family, as well as the making away with people who might discover the injurys, being such as were well attach'd to the Company, and their Resident's Conviction in this Case is hard, tho the circumstances are glaring as to leave little doubt; It is not now the Time to be over violent where we are scarcely firmly settled, therefore I have made less stir than would be proper at another Period in this as well as many Cases that demand sharp resentment, which I would let nothing but absolute necessity draw from me now.

43rd. The Sultans have addressed a Letter to your Honour &ca. which I have translated for your reading they wrote me at the same time hinting some uneasiness at Mr. Idell's behaviour to them, the discretion of that Gentleman I think is such as would not suffer him to do any Thing wrong but he is too well acquainted with Mallay Artifice to be agreable where so much is practised, tho the more proper to be a check to it,

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N°. 73.

By my Letters to him and the Sultans your Honour &ca. may perceive where the disgust lies & how I have expressed my Opinion thereon.

44th. At Moco Moco I met with Sultan Ooloo Dean who has been a long Pensioner of the Company in consideration of his Title to the Anack Soongy Government from the succession to which he was excluded many years ago thro some political Maxim, and who has always been deemed a quiet and well disposed Man, Being now very old and infirm, and uneasy with his situation with the Sultans he seem'd desirous to reside at Marlbró, which as I look'd upon for many Reasons to be better than his staying at Moco Moco I have encouraged him to move and I expect him daily here in the Diligent Snow, He may be usefull in many respects and there is no room to think he can be hurtfull, his Pension will be continued as the company in some former Letter intimate their desire he should never lose it, I know not whether I should pay him what has been suspended since the place was taken which I guess he will ask, but I shall defer determining till I hear from Madras.

N°. 67.

May 14th.

45th. Some days since a Man came from the other side the hills, who is the head of a Doosoon or Village containing sixteen Families, whom he says are desirous to come down to settle here and plant pepper, He was encouraged to prosecute his Intention and is accordingly gone back under promise to return hither with his People.

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MARCH 1st.

46th. Dion Marupa the son of Dion Macoolah deceased enjoys his Fathers post of the Captain of our Buggueses, his manners appear very different from those of his Father and if he does not deviate gives some expectation of being a good servant.

47th. The Buggueses have been reduced in their Number from 120 to 80 and less may possibly be hereafter sufficient, their officers besides Dion two Lieutenants and three Ensigns I found necessary to keep in pay somewhat longer whose service shews them not

APRIL 28th. useless, one Ensign is gone to Natal, and another Radin Tomongon is of service at this pressent in collecting the pepper at Laye and Polley, to which places I had no one to send without being destitute of Help here, Mr. Donston did go down for a Day or two, but the adjustment of Accounts for the Osterley obliged me to call him back and Mr. Nairne has been at the Desk or about the works ever since his arrival which has also been the case with Mr. Steuart.

48th. The above points out the inconvenience I must suffer by parting with a usefull Person to go to Natal, a difficulty so well foreseen when I left the Coast that your Honour &ca. did not think it expedient, We should be burthened with a Charge we were not in a condition to maintain, tho' we might have easily removed the Dutch, and set up our own colours, it was certainly better to wait a convenient time to resume our Possession there, and it was if I mistake not for such reasons that the General and Council of Batavia alone were addressed on the subject of Natal and Tappanooley instead of my being embarrassed by making a demand or forcing those places when I touched at Padang, Upon this principle it was that I waved any discussion with the Government of Padang when I was there, as will been seen by the copys of Letters that passed between us, which now attend your honor &ca. accompanying one from those Gentlemen to yourselves.

N°. 29. 49th. I have wrote Letters to the General and
N°. 64. Council at Batavia both by the Plassie and Fox, such as I judged beccoming me, which are entered in the
N°. 32. Books that now go in the Packet and I have addressed
N°. 65. Captain Tinker to request he would send one of his ships on this Coast, which would be of more effect by its appearance only, than any negotiation, I wish the Admiral's late orders may not have been a Bar to that Benefit.

50th. The Letters received and sent which wait on your Honour &ca. are so full upon all subjects on this Head that I must beg leave to refer thereto, lest I may not have been sufficiently explicit, and hope you will pardon my requesting that they may be transcribed at Madras to be sent to the Court of Directors, as the hands I have are hardly sufficiently to keep up the Originals and Copy.

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OF FORTIFICATIONS BUILDINGS & REVENUES.

51st. The constant employ of our Slaves and Artificers at the Water side, and works most immediately necessary such as the making Godowns, & two or three Houses for present use, has prevented the pursueing any Project concerning the Fort, which is indeed so totally ruined, that what could be done to it in its present situation would be of no material service, some kind of defence will however be set about and the Person who has the inspection [*sic*] over it may be depended on to execute it in the best Manner possible, as well as every other improvement requisite for the settlement, tho' the Progress is unavoidably Slow, the several Buildings wanted to be erected or repaired are particularly mentiond in a Report delivered me & entered under Nº. (26) in Letters received besides what are mentioned therein & what is requisite to secure the Fort; Houses are in the greatest Request, That I live in, and four more ordinary ones are all now in the place, except the Lodgings in the Fort where two or three Gentlemen inhabit the same Apartment, others being obliged to lodge in the China Row, and the scarcity of Materials retards what we could wish to be soon raised.

52. I have directed the Houses and Godowns of the Out Settlements which are not destroyed to be repaired, But no considerable brick work (as I have before signified) can yet be undertaken through the want of Chinam and Bricks, however such are not the most essential now.

53. The Revenues of the Coast besides a few Customs collected on peice Goods &cª. are only the Arrack

FEBRY. 15. Farm at Marlbro, and those of Ophium here, and at Moco Moco, The first was sold at Out Cry to commence from the first of March for one hundred and seventy Dollars per Mensem, which as I found going low I let for six Months only, the stay of the ships has made it so beneficial, that I am sorry I suffered it to be cryed down thó there were no competitors, for I learnt afterwards that Dion and Noqueda Banjar who bid against each other for shew had determined before hand to take it jointly at that Price but to go no higher.

FEB. 15. MARCH 15. FEB. 22. 54. The Ophium license for these districts was bought likewise for Dion at One hundred and four Dollars ℔ Mensem, for a Year, and the Moco Moco licence let for the same time for seventy dollars a Month to Kay Boon.

55. Rat Island is rented at thirty Dollars Pr. Annum for one Year.

56. On the Ground where Mr. Carter had a House which was destroyed by the French, two Rooms having been built for the accommodation of a Gentleman and his Wife, afterwards by Captain Vincent, now he is

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about to depart application has been made for the cost thereof, I have accordingly discharged the same on the Companys Account as the Apartments may serve some one of the Gentlemen in the service who would otherwise have house rent to receive and if any demand is made on Mr. Carter's behalf of the ground the rent at ten dollars ℔ Month from the time it has been habitable shall be set off untill the sum of one hundred and ninety one Dollars one Soocoo which is the Expence is cleared thereby.

57. It would be of some consequence to this Settlement to have it determined in what manner those persons Possessors of Ground before the loss of the Place should on returning hither resume what did belong to them Titles or Grants they have few to produce, whereby the Term for which they held could appear, would it not be better than that, they should commence a fresh lease from their resettling here, my opinion is of that side, yet I could wish to be favoured with your Honour &ca. sentiments thereon and likewise one of the Forms of your grants of Land.

N°. 3. 58. Captain Frazers Report given in soon after my arrival describes the state of the late Fortifications. It will require the Judgement of an experienced Engineer to fix upon the spot as well as the plan for such Works as ought to be constructed for the Head settlement on this Coast if the Company have still in view that the advantages that were proposed to be accrued from this establishment before the French destroyed it, and I make no doubt of your Honor &ca. being ready to afford the most effectual Assistance when the Companys pleasure is known.

OF COVENANT SERVANTS MILITARY AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

59th. Captain Vincent has given an Account of the Gentlemen who landed with him here & of the employs he allotted them, but which they soon quitted either
MAY 10. by Death or removal, so that Mr. Holloway at last was the only material Assistant in the Settlement in the civil Branch; this Gentleman has lately requested some little gratuity for his extraordinary service, & I have thought him well deserving one hundred Dollars.

60th. When I came I brought with me from Moco Moco Messrs. Smith & Flockhart the former a Factor the other a Writer, Mr. Flockhart assists now under the Accomptant and Warekeeper and Mr. Smyth holds
FEB. 8. the Office of Storekeeper and pepper Godown keeper; The Military Stores I had intended to be under the charge of a Covenant Servant, but thro want of a per-
FEB. 19. son to spare who was equal to that employ I did for present time entrust them to Lieutt. Ridout whose skill and industry proves him fitter than any I could chose from the Gentlemen newly come out of England, I

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had designed afterwards when Mr. King a Factor returned from Manna to have put him into that Post but his sickness ever since has rendered him too weak for Business, Mr. Ridoubt therefore remains in charge and has the allowance of ten Dollars pr. Month for his extraordinary Trouble, in speaking of this Gentleman I must remark your Honour &ca. the difference that appears in the Companys allowance of Pay mentioned in the General Letter pr. Osterley from that which a Lieutt. Fireworker receives at the Coast vizt. 8 pr. Day. I have however paid Mr. Ridout 3. 8. as agreable to account delivered me by your Honor &ca. at my departure, concerning which I beg to be instructed for future guidance, applications is sometimes made me for Fees or Piquet Money, on account of laboratory work and drying Powder &ca. the right to which as I am a stranger to I should be very glad to be informed about.

61. Mr. John Francis a Writer dyed the 27th. of last Month without a Will the Secretary therefore took charge & disposed of his Effects at Outcry, the produce thereof is deposited in order to the remitting the same to his relations, Bills on the Honble Company are therefore sent in this packet payable to the Secretary at the India House to whom Mr. More writes that he may render the amount of the Estate to the relations or Friends of the deceased who likewise are apprized of this proceeding.

62d. The Estate of Messrs. Holmes & Herbert are in like manner secured by the Secretary & that of Mr. Dallowe who died at Cawoor I have given orders to the Mallay Serjeant these to send up by the first opportunity, others have been taken care of as will be seen in Captain Vincent's Letter.

63rd. There now remains besides Mr. Holloway and Mr. Flockhart also one other Writer namely Mr. Desmarck of those who came in the China Ships, but that Gentleman is so very sickly that his services are often interrupted by his Indispositon.

64th. The Recruit we had by the servants who were in the Norfolk & Duke of Richmond was greatly acceptable those arrived here being very ready and capable in the Business they have to do, tho disorder of their Health has sometimes interrupted their attention. Mr. Coles is Sub-Secretary, Mr. Albertson assists the Storekeeper, as Mr. Broff does the Paymaster and Mr. Manningtons designation I have already spoken of.

April 16. 65th. These Gentlemen have all delivered me in Bills for their pay and House Rent from the time they arrived first on this Coast Vizt. the 24th. July according to the allowance on this Establishment, deducting what sums they received at Madras or elsewhere, as the demand was not extravagant I complied in discharging the Bills.

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66th. Some of the Gentlemen whose salary and Diet were not issued them by Captn. Vincent have since applied to me, and have been paid according to the rates allowed by the Company, Mr. Smyth who resided some time at Moco Moco requested me to make him some allowance in consideration of the great Expence he was at that place. I added ten Dollars ℔ Month to his pay &ca. while he was there, and I think that sum at least should be allowed to every Out Resident to defray the charge he must be at in entertaining the Mallays who come to him on the Companys Business.

67th. The Captains of the Fox & Plassie have both been paid for the diet of the Gentlemen Military &ca. on Board each ship as has likewise the representative of Captn. Foster for the Passengers in the Earl Temple; The Surgeons of the Fox & Temple have desired a gratification of a Rupee pr. Head for their attendance on the sepoys &ca. when sick on the Voyage which I have judged reasonable to be allowed as well as the person who look'd after them in the Osterley.

Nº. 2.

68th. In the Book of Letters received your Honour &ca. will see a Memorial from George Dempster the Surgeon of the Osterley who was left on shore when that ship went to Madrass, he represented his administring to the sick and loss of Health himself thereby as arguments why he should be recompensed which I looked upon as so reasonable that I ordered him to be paid the allowances of a Surgeon on this establishment from the time he landed untill Mr. Stevenson arrived; but while he was considering whether he should receive what I had granted him a complaint was made by some Gentlemen from whom he had exacted Money for his Attendance, which they entreated might be refunded as they understood he was to be paid by the Company his answer to which was so rude that I took the refusal he made of my Appointment intending to refer him to your Honour &ca's. conclusion, He is since dead and perhaps his representative may apply on his behalf, tho if Judgment is to be formed from the memorial against him, from his manner of writing and from his general character he was very unworthy of reward.

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Nº. 68.

69th. Mr. Bagnal the Mate of the above Man has been represented by every one in a quite different light and having requested some consideration for the real attendance he gave during two Months he was here before the Osterley carried him from the Place I have paid him accordingly, Captain Vincent having entertained the Surgeon of the Diligent Snow and being willing to leave Mr. Bagnal here I have taken him into pay as Surgeons Mate.

Mar. 18th.

70th. The French Surgeon that came over in the Osterley I have given up to Captain Macleshin to be Mate in his Ship.

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71st. Mr. Thomas Blair who was nominated by the Court of Directors to be employed as Lieutenant Fireworker here, being upon his arrival incorporated with the Infantry by Captain Vincent who made him Lieutenant thereof, He did his Duty as such at the same time that he performed to the utmost of his power everything relative to the charge of the Artillery, for which extraordinary duty he petitioned for the pay of Lieutt. Fireworker besides that of Lieutenant of Foot; the truth of what he urged being vouched by Captn. Vincent, & his Health being greatly impaired by his having been too much exposed to the Weather, I allowed him what he applyed for till the arrival of Mr. Ridout.

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72nd. Another Memorial was presented me by Captn. Frazer setting forth that he had received Captain Vincents Commission as eldest Captain of the Military which de desired me to confirm, and allow him the Perquisites annexed to that station representing also that only fiftythree Men of his Company had received cloathing (vizt. a coat Breeches, Cap & Shoes) from the stores, Whereas he cloathed ninetytwo, that is he means ninetytwo ought to have been cloathed, and what he seems to want is to have as a perquisite, the cloathing of thirty nine Men who are dead, as he had those of most of the fiftythree who also died, upon this supposition that the Honble Company gave the first cloathing, therefore that he ought to have the advantage of the dead Men's Coats &ca. the absurdity is plain, but this Gentleman is very difficult to be made think so, and it is as hard to satisfy him of the Plan on which the Military are cloathed by their Captains if I am right the Honble Company do give the first half mounting that is, Coat Breeches and cap to the Men who first land at any of their settlements, to ease the Captain of advancing so much before hand, who compleats the Soldier with stockings shoes shirts & a Roller at his (the Captains) own expence which compleated cloathing continues to the January twelve Months after the Man arrives when he is fresh mounted by his Captain altogether, who has then stoppages sufficient to defray it upon this presumption it is that I have charged the respective Captains of those Men who came over with me for the Cloathing they received here last January as I understand the Stoppages for the foregoing Year to entitle them thereto. In these points I intreat your Honour &ca. particular information for discussing these kind of Arguments are as irksome as tedious.

N°. 8.

73rd. Captain Fazer likewise claims the difference of pay of the Soldiery from the 20th. to the 24th. July, also for the odd Days in the Months of thirty one, For tho they arrived on the Coast the 20th. Captain Vincent only paid them from the Day they landed vizt. the 24 July, and so from the same day of one Month to another

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not allowing for the thirty first day in some of them, this was no unreasonable demand so that I granted the Arrears to those of the Men who were yet alive.

FEB^RY. 11. 74^th. Some person being necessary to write the Regimental Business, as we have no adjutant I permitted Captain Frazer to employ M^r. Baldwin a Cadet, for which he has an allowance of eight Dollars p^r. Month, if I am not mistaken the Volunteers on the Coast have five Pagodas ℔ Month besides their pay, if it is so, should be glad to know as this young Gentleman can barely live on his present stipend.

FEB. 16. 75^th. The Rank of the Officers in respect to M^r. Ridout becoming a Matter of dispute as your Honour &c^a. had thought fit to fix M^r. Eyres below the youngest Officers on our arrival, I judged it proper that M^r. Ridout whose Commission is Junior should take place after M^r. Eyres, tho I must take leave to remark to your Honour &c^a. that these two Gentlemen are much injured by being below people who came here Cadets and have not seen the least service but thro' the particular circumstances of the place attaind the Ranks of Lieutenant & Ensign, for which tho the hardships they have gone thro certainly makes them deserving their commissions confirmed, I am of opinion they will be very well off tho they take date after all others of older standing, it is therefore to wait your Honour &c^a. sentiments on this Head, that I have deferred issuing my commissions to these Gentlemen who still act under those of Captain Vincent. Captain Frazer does so likewise whose Service in raising recruits for the Company and most severe duty on landing here I am persuaded will make him thought worthy of your Honour &c^as. sanction, here is however an Officer who has had his Thigh broke in the service M^r. Pilmor yet only a young Lieutenant and after whom M^r. Frazer must have come into Rank, had the settlement stood in its former state. It is therefore to be submitted whether this Gentleman would not be injured much by Captain Frazers rising above him or whether he should not have a Captains commission of prior date, the objection is that, We should have three Captains & not one Company, unless some of them could be provided for on the Coromandel Coast, where there is I understand another Lieutenant (M^r. Grant of this Establishment).

MAY 5. 76^th. The Company having sent out in the Osterley's Packet a Majors Commission for M^r. Frith & to command their Forces on the West Coast & as Military appointments are said not to fail by the loss of any Place, I have delivered the same to that Gentleman, in consequence of which he has received the allowances annexed to that post since his arrival, but lest there should be any objection to the present validity of this Commission (copy of which goes now with the

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General Letter), The arrears due from the time of the Packets being opened are suspended untill I hear from your Honour &c^{a}. on this Subject.

77th. A General return of our Military goes by this packet by which will be seen the indifferent state of our Garrison in every respect. The Europeans count a few but they can scarce be called Men, being poor immaciated creatures, even those we brought are perfect refuse, & the sepoys are many such as Dormond changed for better Men first raised, their Serjeant is expected to die the Serjeant of the Train is already deceased, and Horton the drill Serjeant is the only Man we have fit for a Halberd. Our Corporals are as few for there are but two [*sic*] good for any thing, and they often sick, I therefore most earnestly entreat your Honour &c^{a}. to consider our situation in this respect & to give us some relief 50 good Men with Serjeants and Corporals would put us on a secure footing supposing we had 100 more sepoys, whom I imagine might be procured.

FEB^{RY}. 5. 78th. M^{r}. Eyres being a kind of supernumary here I have given to him y^{e}. charge of the Sepoys & stoppages for cloathing I propose to be his perquisite, for taking care of them, your Honour &c^{a}. will therefore I presume not be unwilling to send over two or three hund^{d}. Jackets faced with blue or Yellow for their cloathing to be issued to him at prime cost.

79th. The Artificers who have both from Fort S^{t}. George & Bengal, I am sorry to say fall greatly short of our expectations the French Men are scarce worth their hire except La Heure the Joiner, he is a good Man, and the Bengal People turn out a parcel of lazy ignorant fellows owing I conceive from the roguery of the People who have been employed in collecting them who have defeated the good Intention of M^{r}. Vansittart & the Gentlemen of that Gover[n]ment.

MAR. 18. 80th. We have been under the Necessity of engageing a Carpenter and Cooper out of the Diligent Snow the one at $ 25 and the other at $ 20 p^{r}. Month the former now is the more essential, as one who was left out of the Worcester & entertained on Capt^{n}. Vincents recommendation is lately dead.

81st. The Accounts of the several offices are not yet properly digested, nor can be till we are clear of Shipping the Paymasters with close application are brought up to the last of March, My Cash Account accompanys them wherein I have made no charge of any thing for my own support, if the allowance fixed by the Company will defray it I shall be satisfied, but should the unavoidable disbursements attending the Maintenance of a Table which is indispensable exceed that sum I make no doubt of being reimbursed the difference; gain I seek none but should be unwilling to sustain a Loss.

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82nd. Mr. More whom your Honour &ca. have been pleased to continue Chaplain of this Place desires he may with Thanks express the sense he has of your goodness which his behaviour and the kind representation that has been made concerning him to the Company, he hopes will induce them also to approve.

SUPPLEMENT.

83rd. In pursuance of my Instructions the Earl Temple sailed to the Northward the 17th. Instant in the Morning as I was apprehensive the staying for Mr. Stevenson coming from Manna might be too great a delay of the succour to Natal, besides that the sickness of the ships crew made the Captain desirous to get out to Sea with all Expedition, I therefore sent with him fifteen sepoys and as many Buggueses under the Charge of Lieut. Blair to whom I have entrusted the care of them (exclusive from Mr. Russels interfering therein whom I have ordered hither) until Mr. Stevenson goes there.

84th. The Temple was scarce out of the Road when Captain Reynolds of the Prince Henry Packet, which anchored with us over Night came a shore and delivered a Letter from Mr. Russel, inclosing account of Goods he had thought fit to buy on the Companys behalf from Captain Reynolds and his Mates and from Mr. Lester Supracargo of the Adrianna Snow which arrived here a few hours after the Prince Henry in favour of whom he drew a Bill on me to the amount of $7319. 1.4 as by the copy of his Letter you will perceive the Bills I have rejected except one for $255. 3. 21 being Money advanced him for his subsistance, and which can be stopped out of his growing pay but as to the rest since he has no Authority to use the Companys Credit much less thus to abuse it, I thought they ought to be refused. The Gentlemen however propose to make application to your Honour &ca. for payment alledging that it was from a Motive of assisting the Companys affairs they trusted their Goods, you will be able best to judge of this plea, for my Part I cannot venture the Companys risk of such a sum in a manner wholly uncertain, and have accordingly wrote Mr. Russell that he must take on himself the Goods he has purchased, the produce of which I shall nevertheless demand of him by way of securing the Debt to his Creditors who have requested me to do so lest your Honour &ca. should return their Bills concerning which I beg to be informed that I may know whether to carry the Money I may recover from Mr. Russell to the Company or his Creditors Account.

85th. Captn. Reynolds landed here 26 Coffree Men 13 Women & 6 Children of those he brought from Madagascar & 14 French Coffrees, 9 Slaves having

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died in their Passage, and the day after he wrote me that his ship had lost part of her false keel by touching a shoal as she was going into Natal, and that he judged it necessary to inspect further into the damage by heaving down, I have ordered him to try if this can be effected in Poolo Bay, but if it cannot he must go over to the Coast in that condition but then I shall be unwilling to trust him with a full loading of Pepper the ridding the Vessel of Rice and Paddy he bought at Natal will take up a few days before he can move out of the Road.

86th. A Tombongon that was going off from Ippoe to carry some pepper on Board the Diligent lying there was drove past the Vessel by a strong Northerly Gale down to Marlborough and I have put the Pepper she had viz^{t}. Q. 50. Qr. 1. M. 10 on board the Osterley.

87th. The Attorney for the owners of the Success Snow that was commanded by Capt^{n}. Austin has presented me with a Bill for $ 3145 – – One thousand three hundred and forty five of which was received on the Companys Account at Croee for Pepper that was to have been sold to Austin, other five hundred Dollars being money deposited by his representative at Manna in the Company's Cash & one thousand three hundred Dollars thereof being laid out by Capt^{n}. Austin at Manna in the purchase of Pepper which the Company have received except 50 Bahars of the Quantity said to be bought which being defficient, five hundred Dollars of the above one thousand three hundred remain to be paid for, till the cause of the deficiency is cleared up, to decide who must bear the loss, the said Bill is therfore ordered to be discharged except the said five hundred Dollars.

88th. The Storekeeper having tendred a Bill to Capt^{n}. Vincent a Bill [*sic*] for a 150 Bars of Iron deficient of the Osterleys Cargo since she came from Fort S^{t}. George, and the Capt^{n}. refusing to pay it as each party insists on being right which your Honour &c^{a}. will perceive by the Copys of their Letters which are enclosed and I beg leave to refer to your Honour &c^{a}. whether the Loss should be sustained by the Company the Storekeeper or the ship by whose accounts Captain Vincent proves the numbers were delivered just into the Boats. M^{r}. Smith says they might be secreted coming on Shore as several Boats leaving the ship at different times might give the opportunity of taking a few from each or rather themselves at landing as the Person employed to keep the Account at the water side the one of the best of his sort we could get is not the most vigilant, my orders have been repeated from the Head to this Man but have not been much regarded, I believe however I have made a fresh order, and published it again that I hope will answer the end of defeating every cavil & shew where the Error lyes.

89th. Since the Osterley has been under dispatch many incidental occurrences have daily offered to interrupt it, and just at a time when I flattered myself

Diary. Letters received. Letters sent.

that nothing else could happen to retard her departure arrived here the 25th. Ultimo, their Honors ship the Revenge Commodore John Watson, last from Batavia she brings advice of the Plassey's arrival there; & Dispatches from Captn. Tinker of his Majestys ship the Medway, by whose orders he proceeded on this Service, and touched at all the southern settlements from hence, Mr. Watson purposes to sail to Padang to demand restoration from the Gentlemen there of Natal and Tappanooley, which the General and Council of Batavia have promised should be ceded and in consequence of some late order of that sort I fancy Mr. Russel was so easily admitted, Mr. Tinker has behaved very handsome in the applications he has made for satisfaction of the Injuries the Dutch have done our People which your Honour &ca. will perceive by his Letter he has brought them to engage to make good. The presence of this ship and that of the Panther which I expect daily on the Coast must have a good effect in striking awe, where our Nation has been lately held in small esteem, and I fancy will secure our trade from any more insults, I shall advise the Captains to declare wherever they go that we shall maintain our Commerce in all places that are free and disengaged, & whoever molests us therein must expect the severest resentment.

90. The Arrival of he Diligent Snow from the Northward is another small hinderance to the Osterleys dispatch by reason of transporting the pepper out of one into the other her cargo consisting of Bahars 159. 54½ Bamboos which added to what is already shipped on Board the Osterley makes her Tonnage to be

Tons.	Q.	Qr.	lb.
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of Pepper I have consigned the whole to your Honour &ca. The Papers relative to the ship are gone to China with the Supracargoes.

91st. I must request your Honour &ca. Council will please to take the first opportunity of sending us a supply of Money as the Expences of the Settlement, together with the demand made in the country on Account of Pepper will otherwise very shortly reduce us low.

92d. I have taken the Liberty to grant Certificates being the usual Method of drawing from hence on your Honour &ca. Council for Money received into their Honours Cash here & payable to the following persons vizt.

	Pags.	Dollrs.
1 Sett in favour of Captn. Robert Frazer payable to Mr. Robert Turing @ ℔ 16 pr. 10 Pagodas	312 21 ..	500 .. ..
1 Sett in favour of Mr. Robert Nairne payable to Mr. Andrew Ross on Account owners [. . . . .] @ 16 $ pr. 10 Pagodas	1653 5 20	2,645 .. ..
Carried over ..	1965 26 20	3145

	Pag^{s}.			Doll^{rs}.		
Brought forward ..	1960	26	20	3,145	..	..
1 Sett in favour of M^{r}. Robert Nairne payable to M^{r}. Andrew Ross for Accoun^{t} owners Boneta Ketch @ $ 16 ℔ 10 Pagodas	1408	38	4	2,382	1	..
1 Sett in favour of Mess^{rs}. Robert Nairne & Stokeham Donston payable to Roger Carter Esq^{r}. @ $ 16 p^{r}. 10 Pagodas ..	205	27	45	392	..	20
1 Sett in favour of M^{r}. James Stevenson payable to M^{r}. Robert Turing @ $ 16 p^{r}. 10 Pagodas	140	26	20	225	..	..
5 Setts	380	34	9	6,081	1	20 [*sic.*]

five setts amounting in all to three Thousand eight hundred Pagodas thirty four fanams & nine Cash or six thousand eighty one Spanish Dollars, one Sooccoo & twenty Cash.

93. The Ballance of their Honours Cash here this day is in Chests fifteen & six Thousand five hundred & thirty eight Spanish Dollars one Sooccoo and five Cash.

I am very respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Servant

SAM^{L}. ARDLEY.

FORT MARLBRO

29TH. MAY 1762.

POSTCRIPT [*Sic*]

I have been so ill that I could scarce raise my Head from the Pillow to dictate the conclusion of the Letter, & yet I am obliged to enter into discussions every hour, the unlucky circumstance of the Revenge's coming in before the Osterley was gone has involv'd me in new difficulties as you will observe by the Letters, subjoin'd to the minutes, I have taken the best steps I am capable of in the melancholy situation I am in to facilitate this dispatch, and to assist Capt^{n}. Vincent in the present exigency, I have sent on board the Osterley twelve Lascars from this Settlement to supply the place of those taken out by Com^{mre}. Watson belonging to the Squadron a list of their Names come a Number in the Packet & they have been paid to primo June.

Your Honour &c^{a}. will see I have omitted by accident to specify in its proper place the discharging a Bill of Capt^{n}. Foster's representative for the dieting myself and passengers, sepoys & Lascars, on board the Earl Temple, as likewise I had retained my allowance from primo November last to Ultimo May both which appear in the Cash Account Current, The confusion my spirits have been in for many Days through my being obliged notwithstanding sickness to force my attention I hope will plead for this inadvertency, as well as many others I am too sensible of in this dispatch.

The Prince Henry Packet I will use my best endeavours to send to you as desired, but the disappointments of my best attempts makes me fearfull of giving hopes.

Your Honours &c^{a}. will observe the paymasters Accounts as well as the Indents some of them signed by the Deputy in the employ the reasons for which will appear to you in the beginning of the Diary tho I think of changing that Method.

Having received by the Fox an Invoice of the Norfolk M^{r}. Cohonie in the packett of the Norfolk (Bonham) it is now returned and your Honour &c^{a}. will please to send the proper one in its place.

Captn. Vincent having excepted to the Bills of Lading against wastage " as the Cargo is very foul & has damaged Pepper amongst it " I must observe to your Honour &ca. it ought not to be understood so to any degree as may appear on examination, that it is not so clear of dust as when properly garbled which we had not materials for in every place where it was shipped off to do is true, & perhaps in passing the Qualloes some little might get wet, but as much time would be lost in sending off to the Captain who is now on Board his ship and there being littles [*sic*] hopes of bringing him to alter an Opinion he has once adopted rather than detain the ship for fruitless Altercation, if not so regular, thinking it more the Company's Interest I am inclined to accept the Bills of Lading signed by his Purser in the manner I have mentioned.

SAML. ARDLEY.

FORT MARLBRO.
JUNE 2D. 1762.

No. 80.

Copy of a Letter from Captain Frederick Vincent of the Ship Osterley to Mr. Ardley relating to the affairs of the West Coast.

SIR

In answer to your favour of the 4th. which my Indisposition has prevented till now; as soon as I had determined to stay here I laid before the Factors the necessary dutys such as Secretary Accomptant &ca. and that each might be employed in what best suited his capacity, left the choice to themselves, leaving every office save that of Treasurer open to their Election, accordingly they were appointed as follows.

Mr. Edward Weston	...	Accomptant.
Mr. John Smyth ...	...	Sub treasurer & Military Paymaster.
Mr. William Thong	...	Secretary.
Mr. Elid : Blackwell	...	Warehousekeeper and General Storekeeper.
Mr. Peter Herbert	...	Military Storekeeper.
Mr. Walter King ...	...	General Paymaster.
Mr. Edward Dallowe	...	Sub accomptant.
Mr. Edward Holme	...	Marine Storekeeper.
Mr. Giles Holloway	...	Under the Storekeeper.
Mr. John Francis ...	...	Under the Secretary.
Mr. Anthony Desmaretz ...		On all occasions.
Mr. John Hughes ...	...	
MR. WM. FLOCKHARD	...	
MR. DANIEL GORDAN	...	

The 10th. August I was seized with a violent Fever, & from that time had not ability to inspect their Accounts till the latter end of September, when I found every thing very far from what I hope and expected.

The Secretary & Marine Storekeeper soon after me were taken ill from which they never recovered, the Storekeeper General Paymaster, Sub-Accomptant & Military Storekeeper very often with the Ague and Fever, rendered incapable of attending to any Business the Accomptant and Sub-accomptant had undertaken what they were unequal to. To the several Storekeepers & Warehousekeeper, my orders were to take copies of their several departments from the Invoices, & in a small narrow Waste Book to raise heads for every particular specie by each Ship the Invoice Account on one Side & what came ashore at different times on the other, weighable goods to be weighed and others

by tale to be counted; this I did for the readier examining of the Bill of Lading, & for the disposal of their stores, to keep a Waste Book, a receipt Book, a Leidger & Cash Book, the General paymaster I directed to keep a very carefull Account of his Cash, and monthly to ballance it, to take receipts for every thing, and to have another Book wherein every different Head should be dailey posted, by way of knowing what was monthly expended for the greater facility to the Accomptant; the Sub-treasurer and Military Paymaster to ballance his Accounts monthly and to keep his Military receipts separate from all others, The Accomptant to keep an Invoice Book Waste Book Journal and Leidger to require all the Accounts from the different Officers every Month, & to post them immediately when he received them as.

The General Storekeeper Dr. to Sundries
Sundries . . . Dr. to the General Storekeeper-

and in like manner through the rest, therefore when I came ashore after repeated writing to have this done it gave me no small concern to find it was not so; I was likewise incapable to obtain from the General paymaster, his Account till just as he was going to Manna and then no way digested as I had directed, and some things that wanted explaining, sometimes I found all Offices had been obliged to be conducted by three or four, and often by less, that excepting the Accomptant, I am very well assured all their Deviations from my Instructions proceeded from their frequent nay almost constant Indispositions in this situation were things when I came on shore, and had attained health sufficient to enquire into them my first step was to forbid more money being advanced to the General Paymaster, and the 30th. September receiving a Letter from the Accomptant of his inequality to that Office, I called a consultation the next Day, and acquainted of what I had observed deficient in those two particular offices requiring an Examination into the Expences during my illness and that in future I should do my endeavour to discharge them myself.

Mr. Blackwell the General Warehouse and Storekeeper, did all that his Health would permit him to do and I am sure as he was very exact in What he did nothing would have been wanting in his Account had he kept his Health and the Omissions that happened in his Illness were the Effect of want of a sufficient acquaintance in the Office rather than through Indolence or designed Neglect. On Examination into these things being deprived of every Assistance but Mr. Holloway one of the Writers I found it a task, I could not accomplish to bring up the Books, therefore directed Mr. Holloway to take care of the Stores, & every thing else, centered in the Cash to pay the Military, Tradesmen, Slaves & Necessaries for Building, which and my correspondencys as well as Bichars, taking up often more time than I had health to attend to. I confined myself to take that since these Gentlemen are yet living and will be able better to explain their Accounts than I can.

As to the Cash Accounts I have no other than that I delivered the day of your arrival, which contains the full of what I have had. With respect to the Affairs on this Coast, I apprehend you mean the situation of them at present they are extreamly quiet in every place and seem pleased at the Companys return, but to preserve it I think it necessary to give you this caution, that whatever plunder they made either on the Companys effects or their servants should not be demanded in terms or acts of severity, for as all the great Men are more or less concerned, and it is now so much divided, that it is impossible to recover one third that is lost, you may and certainly will raise to yourself trouble distress the Companys affairs and benefit nothing by it, my Method to obtain the Slaves I have got has been (when I have heard where they were) to write and desire they might be sent me. I have had several Bichars on complaints of many of the Natives against the Pangaran Etam and some Datoos, but experience in them convinced me to be peremptory would have destroyed, what I thought it my duty to promote, the culture of the Land, for insisting on

Restitution would have made a War inevitable. I am sensible how much every Gentleman would be glad to recover his Losses, but if I may be permitted to put it in the Light I see it, I hope my Judgement will neither be condemned by you or them, & will shew that I consult the welfare of every one, I will suppose the Malays had not these, who would then have had them? why the French, would they not have been totally lost, then where is the difference, but the Slaves they say could run away, who was to maintain their Slaves? for though they kept them to work, it is no plea that, that should be their payment and if a guard is ordered to publish round the Bounds of all the Factorys that any who have Slaves belonging to the Company or Gentlemen bring them in, they shall be satisfied for such Expence I am of Opinion there are few but what will be recovered. I am of a different opinion from some Gentlemen that if an Example of one of the Principal is made it will strike awe into the rest, no there is none now can restore what they took, therefore such a step would reduce them to desperate Measures, what then will all this be doing? the Grounds will be destroyed, trade cease and all succour from Land stopped, the Company must be sufferers for years & these very Gentlemen more so than they now are in the end; indeed could I by any means or method come at those who cutt of Mr. Gunn and the other Europeans I would make them a publick Example setting forth to the Country the baseness of the act, by murdering those who flew to them as Friends for Protection but as to any effects using violent Measures I know its consequences, therefore must advise against it, was your force and security greater? I am persuaded you will think with me, it would be wrong; besides there are things amidst all this Tranquility, which will find you employment without this, which would never have an End, for they are all ready to charge each other with Robberys and Murder that the least opening you make towards an Enquiry will produce.

I seized a parcell of old Iron from a China Man threatened him with imprisonment, & if I could find the the [*sic*] Plunderer banish him the Country; all this before the Dion, whose Mother had sold it, being what the Father took; I thought they wou'd on this be silent, but they opposed the Caffres removing it till I ordered a Guard to be sent for, but going myself on my Morning walk made it afterwards unnecessary. The China Man several times after this teized me for the redelivery and at last at a great Assembly of the Dion and his Friends at the Salop house asked again and pressed the Dion to claim it, as I knew the whole, to stop the Dion, I told him if I discovered the Principal be whom he would, I would confine both him and the receiver that as I knew it was the Companys Property, it should lay till a Governor arrived to whom I would represent it; accordingly the Dion ordered him to wait. This Iron now lays in the Fort to be detained or delivered as you approve.

I neither would farm the Ophium to any nor Rat Island, Mrs. Pell's Lease (who was in possession of that Island when the French came) not being expired at that time and she on her passage here to request a renewal; nor have I licensed any Punch or Publick Gaming house though offered for the last 70 Dollars pr. Month. I received customs for one large Prow but as I found Account vary in what had been formerly taken on different species least I should err in receiving less and it should be claimed hereafter, as a Precedence as well to induce all China Prows to stop here I dropped it and all Prows large as well as small that sailed hence I received nothing from, for such permission [. . .] whatever other Reason that had been levied when the Settlement was established.

As to the Country Affairs with respect to the Natives at Croi betwixt Noqueda Samboua (who has ever beeen in Credit with the English and Mr. Herbert Letter deservedly so) Pangaran Segin & Bencoonet and the great Men thereabouts, the Differences have been very high, nor could the Noqueda have held up against them, had he not under the Companys Authority & on their

credit entertained Buggueses in Fact I believe both are wrong, but I have caused a seeming reconciliation, at present promising that you will soon enquire into every thing, and both parties be satisfied, yet neither knows it a general promise but imagines it to himself. The Noqueda is accused by Pats the Drummer now here and Job Daniel a Soldier, who I expect by the Punchallong, as well by Mr. Molloy with being a very dishonest Man: he writes to ask Wages for himself and Buggueses guarding the Pepper the French did not destroy, tho by his own account the Warehouse was broke open, and the Pepper stole by the Caffres whose Names he gives & by Patts, Job Daniel, & one of these people, Noqueda is charged with encouraging the Caffrees to the Act buying the pepper by another hand, at 5 Dollars ℔ Bahar and selling it the Javans. I must own it is but lately this Charge has come against him, and E'er Credited requires a Person of discernment, and one well knowing in the Language to go there; Betwixt him and the Pangaran of Segin, the Massacre of four Europeans in a Boat and a Dutch Young Man a Writer of Norris's on shore lays each charges the other, but at this distance it is impossible to form a Judgment, I have received a Letter from the Noqueda for payment of two drafts, to the Amount 1745 Spanish Dollars Vizt. one to Andrew Cowan on Captain Austin's Account for 1345 for Goods left by Captn. Austin & sold for the purchase of Pepper & one for 400 to Mr. Elid Blackwell on the same Credit which he assures me is all purchased and will soon be brought in.

At Manna since the Admission of Gunta Raja in the Room of Pangoolo, to be Pangaran of the Dusan of Duiook they are all quite reconciled, and by the Residents as well as Noqueda Inchekio's Account, Things will there improve daily. At this place Captn. Austin paid Noqueda Inchekio 1000 Dollars on Account of Pepper and I have since advanced the Pangaran 1000 Dollars more, and paid Noqueda 200 Dollars on Account of Disbursements he has been at since the French invaded it, according to their Accounts, there will be collected in all the districts dependent on Manna about 600 Bahars of Pepper, one half or more of which was already in warehouses. The Godowns being bad I ordered the Pepper to be aired: the damaged to be seperated and all to be removed into another House at the Companys Expence. The Pangarans claim Dutys to the Amount of some Thousand Dollars for Pepper the French destroyed, for which they say they had Mr. Carters promissory Letter I renewed their Certificates as Pangarans, as well as many of the subordinate Officers, but they having no Contracts their papers they say being burnt or lost when the French came there, as I found great Differences betwixt the contracts of Places left that till a Governor should arrive: there is a small Place called Padong Gochee, it is I apprehend a little to the So.ward of Manna, where they grow a great deal of Peppr, but there is some difficulty of Access I find both by Sea and Land, that no benefit has been raised from it as yet, I gave these People Certificates likewise of the Company's Protection and recommended their falling on some Measures by improving their Boatmens Experience in the Aquala or thinking on some way by Land to get it to the nearest of our other Settlements in this Presidency. You see Sir the Occasion there is that the Gentleman who now goes should be a discreet, judicious Man, and perfectly conversant in the Language for I am of opinion there is great knavery in their demand and if this last Place produces the Pepper it is reported the enquiring into and reconciling matters here speedily is of Importance, and one thing I must observe that you will find it most acceptable to the Country, not only in Manna, but all other places, that some Principal Person there should be Ensign, or Chief Officer of the Buggeses & not the Dion should supply them; Noqueda Inchekio has often applied for this whose Character appears to me at present without blemish yet I chose to refer it to you.

The Pangarans or rather Caliphas of Cowar say they have a good deal of Pepper of the Companys which the French left unhurt, on which there has been

constantly a guard of Buggueses, whose Wages I believe will be more than the value of the Pepper; the Serjeant has been to claim their pay, but I only told him to take care of it and when you arrived I would speak of it, The Caliphas claimed a large sum for Pepper burnt by Mr. Gibs on the Resident's order when the French came here which they was not paid for. The Country thereabouts is a good deal gone to ruin and the People of very bad Dispositions, however I find if a sensible Man is sent there that can speak the Language well and preserve his Authority, it is a Place capable of producing much Pepper, but the Head Men write for want of an European, to enforce an Observance of their Orders they have not been able to do any thing.

The Pangaran of Konkai, son to the old Pangaran brought his Father's Certificate, and the Proateens of his Districts, who being unanimous in his Election I renewn'd [*sic*] it in his Name but gave no new Contract, as I had not then time but he has promised to be here again soon or send his Deputys.

The Troubles at Salooma I hope by seizing Raja Moodo is put a compleat stop to & that no further ill consequences can arise from his conduct.

The Pangaran at Sillebar very readily renewed his Contract, but besides Indolence I am persuaded he has a very bad heart, as he played several little low tricks with me, however all is quiet there.

The Chief Dispute on this Coast and greatest difficulty you will meet is here at Marlbrõ, Pangaran Etam expects to recover several Priviledges (as he terms them) that Mr. Henlock and the Chiefs since his time have taken from him, The Dion again who has been at War with him ever since the French landed, has attempted several further innovations on his priviledges and Endeavours to strip him not only of some Emoluments, but the Power of naming his Datoos and some officers; this was lately grown so high, that E'er I know there was more than their old resentments about division of the Plunder, each was preparing to act either offensively or defensively as time and circumstances permitted. As soon as I had advice of it I called the Pangaran and Dion to seperate Bichars and by this means obtained a true knowledge of their differences, when I declared whoever drew the Sword first I would assist the other and bid the Pangaran remain quiet, promising that whatever was his right, and allowed in Mr. Carter's time should be continued and that neither Dion nor any else should infringe his property the least, which has past my Expectations been strictly observed.

The determining whose right it is to name & recommend Datoos is of no small importance, as the several competitors for that Office; have each power and can be very troublesome.

I increased the Buggeses to one hundred and twenty when I expected a visit from the French, not choosing to accept the aid of any but those dependent on the Company, from the Example the Pangaran gave Ee'r Mr. Carter had retreated, and I have continued them since on Account of the daily decrease in the Garrison, to be in a Condition to repel him, if he stirred yet both these People have that Subtilty, stubborness and Villany in their Dispositions and from their long War great attachments in the Country, that inclining the Scale in favour of those, that either now or hereafter can least disturb you in any situation is the point to be considered.

Lye the Person who stiles himself Pangaran the only the Head Man of that Dusan, which is part of the Dominions of the Pangaran of Singo D'Mou was competitor for the Pangaranship in which he was supported by the Pangaran of Etam, who thereby could he have succeeded, would have became too formidable for the Dion and his conduct since the French came before this place has been too suspicious to put so much power into his hands. The present young Pangaran was elected by a Majority of Voices of all the principal Men and Proateens, that were present at which Bichar this Calipha of Lye & one Raja

Moodo, another Orankio was present and it was then agreed that during his minority, he should be under the Tuition of Raja Moodo, this last person is a spirited keen active Man but greatly addicted to Gaming, he left this place as he informed me to go and visit the Gardens, but my Intelligence is that he spends his whole time in Wantonness, on which I sent him a Letter some time since, that as I doubted not he had finished his survey of the Gardens, I should be glad to receive an Account of their forwardness from his own Mouth at Marlbrô where he had been so long a stranger, but he is not yet returned.

At Poly they have endeavoured to persuade me there is a large Quantity of Pepper and have more than these two Months past teized me to advance them some Money, to order Warehouses to be built to receive it, seives & Caffres to sift and clean it, Bags to bring it to the Aquala and some vessel or other to take it in, but I have withstood all their Application, as having the greatest Reason to believe the Quantity was far short of what they told me. At this place which ends all the Dominions subject to Pangarans Coliphas or otherwise, from Croi. I believe all care with regard to reestablishing yourselves, if once settled will end your difficultys, for beyond Moco Moco you are sensible the Dutch have taken upon themselves to save you that trouble and as the Sultanage of Moco Moco includes all our settlements to the Northward, as you have been there so lately and will undoubtedly have Accounts very soon from Mr. Idell, it will be unnecessary for me to say any thing relating to those places, except that I sent two Thousand Dollars by Mr. Smyth to pay the Sultan on Account of Pepper &ca. I must not forget to observe that the Pangaran Etam and some Datoos have often hinted a claim he had to Anchorage from all Vessels, my reply was I took none nor would I suffer any one to do it, till a Chief arrived who knew those customs, for as Rat Island formerly was possessed by the Pangarans of Singo D'Mou, who exacted Anchorage of the Companys ships and being found troublesome was purchased by the Company to be their right for ever his claim if under that for the small Craft, was a doubt to me if not one of those, he complained being stripped of before Mr. Horlock's time. He is a dangerous Man and is aiming at great Power & wanted but to attack Singo D'Mou to him, by setting aside the Legal Heir and raising a Pretender (One Ratoo) who was to second all his attempts; the Country round were, very jealous of this when I came here, & I plainly saw acting otherways than I did would have created a War wherein the Dion would have thrown up his dependance and the Factory have become the first object of Resentment.

The Pangaran had betrayed E'er the French landed how far he was to be trusted when he had dared to break open Mr. Carters House and plundered it almost under his Eye, while his son with his Myrmidons were rifling Mr. Hay's house, and with unparallelled Insolence and Cruelty murdering with his own hand his Servant; it was the Ally of this Man who killed Mr. Gunn some of which Men he brought to one of his Bichars with me and was such as I suppose he designed to introduce at a Grand Bichar, he wanted to make a little before your Arrival, but prevented by the Intelligence I had obtained; he has sixty two Musquets belonging to the Company and several Horses the property of the Gentlemen but he has never mentioned a syllable of them nor have I have [*sic*] been able to demand them the Jerelutis of Lye, has also twelve Musquets of the Companys and told me of many more that he could recover if he had my certificate, I gave him it but have never since seen him though I have of [*sic*] often applied to this Ratoo (who stiles himself Pangaran of Lye) to bring him to me. I know not the Jerelutis Name but he is blind with one Eye; your Jerelutis knows him well. The Dion has also three Artificers Slaves of the Company who tho I have often asked and sent for he has had the Insolence to retain. The Pangaran of Konkai has two more Slaves, I don't apprehend you will have much trouble to get them, it is but late I heard of them. The Dion, Raddon, & Noqueda Bangar I am persuaded know of many other Things if they can be

wrought on to inform you. The Dion has had a considerable hand in the Plunder of this Place and I am well informed has still in his Possession a great Quantity of Iron as well small Arms. E'er I conclude this relative to the Natives and Country it is my duty to tell you, for want of Residents, the Gardens are going to ruin, the People disregarding their Chiefs will pay no obedience to any instrument of yours given them are in some places murdering each other daily, and that if not speedily relieved, you will hear of many such insurrections like that of Raja Moodo. I have given no Commission to Dion, or any of his Officers, and it is of some Importance that all the Subalterns in his Company should be of your Appointment, or Approbation as you will thereby gain intelligence, should he attempt with his Buggeses as he lately did at Lye, in raising disturbances, I think I have omitted nothing necessary for your Information, respecting this Coast, but should any thing hereafter occur I will not fail to communicate it.

The Effects of the Military deceased Captain Frazer has accounted for Lieut^{t}. Bathurst's, whose Inventory & Sales I have delivered to you, Capt^{n}. Lawrence's & all other the Military has according to the Company's Instructions been under the two principal Officers Directions which has at last centered in Capt^{n}. Fraser.

The Military have only been paid from the 24th. of one Month to the 24th. of the next, but no stoppages have been made from the Commanders though several dyed a few days after the Muster.

M^{r}. Thongs Effects his Widow took care of, M^{r}. Holme's another of the Factors, M^{r}. Blackwell took the Account of, which I delivered to M^{r}. Smith to be given to you, M^{r}. Herberts & M^{r}. Dallowes two other Factors who died lately, the first here the last at Lenou, I have given no further direction about than to order M^{r}. Herberts to be locked up, & M^{r}. King at Manna & Noqueda Inchekio to go to Lenou & recover M^{r}. Dallowes.

M^{r}. Hughes one of the Writers who died at my House, I propose as I know his Friends to dispose of them myself, unless you think proper to order otherways the rest I hope you will as soon as convenient, give the necessary Instructions about as they must suffer by lying by.

Some time before your arrival the Sultan of Moco Moco sent over one hundred Head of Buffaloe as there was then some appearance of Troubles here I did not care to purchase them for the Company First as I could not well think of sparing so much Money, & secondly as I was apprehendsive[*sic*], if I took them wholly for the Company, I should have some villany played with them by the Country; to take them from the Sultan was I thought highly necessary, & that it might have the face of my doing caused M^{r}. Dempster my Surgeon with the Raddon to buy them; in this I thought not only to secure the Company from a Loss, but oblige the Sultan & have a stock when you arrived, for these Reasons if you think them just I recommend them to a Preference of any others, as I know they have lost out of the eighty three they purchased twenty two by Mortality.

My Surgeon being mentioned here, leads me now to acquaint you that I brought him on Shore with a design to attend the sick, but he was soon rendered incapable from his own indisposition to afford them any Assistance and is still too low as you may perceive to attend an Hospital; he had the Misfortune likewise to loose in the Panchallong that sunk alongside a valuable Box of Instruments & some other Things in all to the Value of forty Pounds (as he informed me) designed for the use of the Hospital; there was some Linnen he also expended in Dressings, for all which he applied to me, for some Compensation, as I could be no judge, what the Company might think he merited, who had been able to give no Attendance in the Hospital except just at first Landing and being my Surgeon though his Reasons were just, that the Loss of his Health &

Effects were with a view to the Companys service and his private concerns suffered by his not going to Madras, yet I chose to refer him to you, who could weigh these considerations with more justice than I can; as knowing the Companys Indulgence.

The Gentlemen sent as Residents to the different Settlements and indeed all that have been employed here in the various offices have received no allowance either ordinary or extraordinary except the three Writers Mr. Holloway, Mr. Desmaretz & Mr. Francis, & they only their pay & Table; if they have not discharged their duty as could be wished, know Sir that they none have had health, after the first Month to be able to do as I am persuaded they would have done, & I hope I may without being thought to take from other Gentlemen; as no partiality but justice is my Guide, recommend Mr. Blackwell Factor & Mr. Holloway Writer as two who have laboured most in their several dutys & whose Merit will confirm my praise.

Captain Frazer has done the duty of a Soldier, and all the Discipline & order you found the Garrison in being entirely effected by him, since the death of Captn. Lawrence, and I must say from our Landing to your Arrival there has been the greatest Regularity & Quiet, without one single Complaint that proves the Vigilance & Conduct of the Officers.

I had almost forgot to mention, there is one Bajele a Slave of the Company, a very ingenious clever Fellow at cleaning Arms, who some People have put into the Head to deny being a slave, & last Muster had the Assurance to demand four Dollars & a half instead of two, telling me Mr. Carter told him he was free, but must work for the Company at that Wages, though before I only paid him two & he was content, he is an excessive handy fellow; but must be taken care of or I am afraid he will desert.

I have been abused by Browne the white Guardan [*sic*] who was formerly a soldier here, & was lately sent back by Mr. Herbert whom he said promised him pay from the time the Place was lost & accordingly from Mr. Herbert & Captain Lawrence, received eighty five Dollars, I have since found the whole a fraud & that he entered into the French service. My discovery was from Pats the Drummer who by his Instructions claimed the same, but in detecting the first to be an imposition, to engage Pats for five years longer I had advanced him ten Dollars, intending to give him no more than twenty but he chooses to repay the ten Dollars & quit the service in April next when he says his five Years are expired.

There are three Prisoners in the ships all whose crimes are of that Stamp that my design was had I an Opportunity to have sent them to the Coast, for the President & Council to have further disposed of them as they thought their Crimes deserved.

The first is John Lynes who was Coachman to Mr. Carter sent from Batavia by Mr. Herbert his behaviour, when the French landed being so contrary to the Laws of his Country, as to fall little short of Treason, and the Country People threatening his Assassination, he being a fellow of dangerous Principles, to prevent his going to the Dutch he has been confined ever since the 19th. November on board the Nancy Ketch.

The second is one Jacob Delizine a Portuguese, who was Interpreter to Mr. Smith at Moco Moco & defrauded the Company of one hundred and twenty Dollars by his Interpretation for wch. he receed. 20 Dolls., the whole being detected by the Old Sultan, he was by him sent under a Guard here, with strict request, not to be suffered to return, as he was capable to raise a civil War in the Family.

The third is Paul Peter a Caffrey, who broke into the Companys Godowns at Croi, stole their Pepper & sold it at 4 Dollars ℔ Bahar, this fellow can if he will discover the share Noqueda Samboua is said to have had in it, he is a very

dangerous fellow, having with one Stephen (now on Board the Osterley) caused all the Caffres to Mutiny & deny working, declaring they were made free by Mr. Carter and would be so unless I gave them ten Dollars each. I was informed by two of the Caffrees, that this Man and Stephen were the two Ring leaders, but when sent for, his awe over them was such they durst not own what they told me, besides there has been several Robberies & houses broke open from whence some of the Companys Peice Goods were lost, in which I am persuaded this fellow was concerned, as he always came up and had the Audacity to speak without being asked when any suspected Person was brought to me, I sent him likewise on Board the Nancy.

I don't know any thing has escaped me informing you of, therefore shall finish this Long Letter with only two remarks more one respecting my own charges the other a small recapitulation of the Reason for delivering the Accounts as I received them from those, who kept them.

At my first landing every Necessary for the Table & otherways at which all were entertained was entirely my own stock, nor have I from first to last, charged any Wines Liquors or other Stores though my whole Sea Stock has been exhausted either at the Publick Table or in entertaining the Pangarans. I have neither charged any thing for ware, tare, or loss of Furniture fifteen yards of fine Broad cloth, presented the Pangarans, nor for a Sword and Brace of Pistols sent to the Sultan of Moco Moco. These Sir as I doubt not receiving a proper Compensation for, from the Honble Court at my return, I desire you will particularly examine into and Notice my Expences latterly may have been very large but if the house book is looked into, it will be found to arise from the Provision, I was making to get all the Poultry I could against your arrival, and as to my present Expenses I shall submit them likewise to the Company without makeing any particular charge.

As to the Accounts I have already informed you after the regulation I had made and given from my Indisposition I was incapable to inspect into them, till the latter end of September, when the General Paymaster and accomptants offices fell into my hands, it could not be conceived I could become General Paymaster and Accomptant with the Multitude of other Affairs I must have to transact without some Assistance; to accomplish this I made Mr. Weston Sub Accomptant and directed the Manner of his entering the Invoices in a Journal, but he had scarce done that before he fell into such a way that he was incapable of every thing. I had then no Assistance, Mr. Blackwell, Mr. King, Mr. Dallow, and Mr. Herbert Factors, Mr. Desmaretz and Francis Writers being all ill, in this situation, therefore all I could do was to direct Mr. Holloways care of the Stores and to make the Cash my chief Care.

The beginning of November when Mr. King and Dallowe had recovered a little, the General Paymasters which I found they had at Intervals Managed, engaged their attention so much that I could never obtain their Accounts and of Course no help from them, and since they could be of no service to me The People at Lenou declaring they would not go without a Resident, & Manna teizing me constantly for one, the Country having great regard & the Chiefs receiving Power from his Presence I therefore sent Mr. King to Manna and Mr. Dallowe to Lenou.

Moco Moco having from my arrival and being now in particular from a dread of the Dutch pressing for a Resident there likewise I sent Mr. Smyth down, so that you must observe the Military Payments fell to my Lot also, which obliged me to blend every Cash, under one Head of the Honble United Companys Cash.

At this time there was a Ballance due from Mr. Smyth as Sub treasurer, which by his Books you will find still open I doubt not but he will now pay it to you.

For want of means therefore which has attended me from the beginning, I am obliged Sir to deliver you every thing as they have been handed to me, and I believe it never was expected that any Person in my Situation should be accountable for all offices under the Dilemmas I have been not only ill myself but every body round me under the like unfortunate Circumstances. I confess myself happy delivering them up as I have, if not regular and fully kept up, yet distinct enough to leave my Character unsullied.

The Enclosed is a List of the Slaves which is all that I think your Letter requires of.

SIR

EARL TEMPLE — Your most Obedient humble Servant

15TH. FEBRUARY 1762. — FREDK. VINCENT.

I am informed Mr. Nairne has a list of the Caffrees therefore one From me will be unnecessary.

Besides the Caffrees here there are eight or nine in the Osterley 12 at Moco Moco or thereabouts and 12 at Croi.

N°. 81.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Captain Vincent of the Osterley had already received his dispatches, yet I thought I could not well omit communicating to you in this seperate address, the arrival of his Majestys Ship the Panther from Batavia, which is just now come to an Anchor in this Road. The destination of that ship as I have already acquainted your Honor &ca. is in consequence of Captain Tinker's orders, to visit the Settlements on this Coast, Dutch as well as English where it might appear necessary to support the English Interest, to take cognizance of the Incroachments of the Dutch and to endeavour to procure redress, Commodore Watson is dangerously ill of a Fever is still here on the Honble Companys Ship Revenge and their orders being similar, they will have an Opportunity of proceeding together to Padang and acting in concert if found necessary in recovering our Settlements of Nattal and Tappanooly which there is Reason by Advices from Batavia to think the Dutch will attempt the recovery of. For Mr. Herbert, who together with Mr. Blackwell is arrived on the Panther, acquaints me that after Mr. Tinkers departure, there appeared a considerable Change in the behaviour of the Dutch, who while he was there had not only agreed to withdraw their Garrisons at Nattal & Tappanooly, but likewise to give satisfaction for the depredations they had been making for a course of many Years on the Vessels of Europeans and others under the Companys protection on this Coast, but on later Application being made to the General on these subjects by Messrs. Herbert and Marriot he told them that if the Shabander, who had served him as an Interpreter in his negociation with Captain Tinger had explained the Matter so to Captain Tinker, that it was not his Intentions, for that he would maintain Nattal & Tappanooly unless forced from the English; and as for the Accounts which had been presented to him of the unlawful seizures the Dutch had made of English property, that these were Matters he has no knowledge of. In consequence of these seemingly real declarations they dispatched before the Panther sailed, a ship for Padang with 60

Europeans & 100 Buggueses soldiers, Mr. Herbert also acquaints me that Mr. Marriot whom your Honour &ca. had sent to Batavia with you [*sic*] Credentials as Resident for transacting the Honble Companys Affairs, was not admitted of in a Publick Character and was told to withdraw for that no British subject would be suffered to reside there even in a private character, after some importunity however he was told he might remain till he could have orders in consequence of what he intended writing to you on that subject.

Mr. Marriot in a short Letter wherein he only refers me to Mr. Herbert for Intelligence of what is related above informs me of the Fox's being arrived at Batavia and that he hoped both she and the Plassey would be ready to sail by the end of May.

I am with great respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Servant

SAML. ARDLEY.

FORT MARLBRO.

3D. JUNE 1762.

No. 82.

TRANSLATE OF A LETTER FROM THE SULTANS OF MOCO MOCO TO THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF MADRAS.

Carry this friendly Letter with many Compliments from his Excellence the Sultan Seeree Sooltan Khalipa Toohla Gundom Sah Moallam Sah and his Excellence the Sultan Seeree Sooltan Passesseer Barral Sah from their place of Residence at Moco Moco, hoping by Gods Assistance it will come safe to the Governor Mr. Pigot and the Gentlemen of the Council at Madrass. This is to let the Governor and Council know that the Letter and Present sent us under the care of the Governor Mr. Ardley have come to our hands very safely. We have a just sense of the Esteem you express for us, and we return our grateful acknowledgements. The Governor has thought fit to inform us of the destruction of Pondicherry and the Capture of all the French Settlements on the Choromandel Coast; this news gives every one here the greatest satisfaction. We rejoice that you have thought proper to send Mr. Ardley from Madrass as Governor to settle the affairs of these Countries and to quiet the Minds of the people. Further the Governors orders are that the 14 Mantrees, the Limocoto's the Proateens and in General all the Natives here should be directed to renew their Pepper Gardens. We cannot yet answer for the success of our endeavors in promoting the pepper Investment, for the Gardens are in a Manner entirely ruined by the troubles of our destructive enemies the French have brought on this Country. We mention this circumstance lest the Governor should be induced to think that we were negligent in making our People plant Pepper, but we purpose joining our endeavors to those of Mr. Ardley to promote that Business in the most effectual Manner. We had the Pleasure of seeing him on board his Ship when at Anchor off Moco Moco and had a friendly Conference with him. We have nothing to present you at this Time worthy of your acceptance. May your lives be long and happy. Dated the 21st day of the Month of Saban 1762.

N°. 83.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President and Governour &ca. Council of Madrass.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We had the Honour to receive yours dated the 16th. of November by Mr. Ardley, who arrived here the 5th. Instant.

The contents thereof are so much the more agreable to us, as they afford us the pleasure of observing you are particularly sensible of our Services, which we shall ever be willing to offer when occasion requires, and have according to your desire not only supplied the two Ships with all the necessaries we could spare, but entertained Mr. Ardley in such a Manner as we flatter ourselves will afford you no less satisfaction than himself.

We observe with great Pleasure that you have been pleased to address our Superiors at Batavia about the Disputes which formerly happened between the English and Dutch on this Coast, and we are certain as you only desire to obtain Justice, that those circumstances will be soon settled to your satisfaction which we ardently to learn, in the mean time we remain with the greatest esteem.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Friends and humble Servants
[*Lacuna*]

Padang
January 19th. 1762.

N°. 84.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By the Pocock Snow Captain Edwards I addressed you from the streights of Sunda where I met that Vessel, & enclosed you Mr. Ardleys Letter from Marlbro. The following day which was the 7th. Instant, The Plassey got into Batavia Road Commodore Tinker who was at Onroost in the Medway (with the Bellaine Frigate & Revenge Company Ship) sent his Barge for me as he purposed sailing the next Day, in order to hear if I had particular news, to regulate his Measures for the West Coast, whither the Revenge had been ordered by him, & was designing to sail the same time, the Commodore. I know not if he has wrote you, but I think it proper to inform your Honor & Council that he has assured me, that the General has given his word that Nattal & Tappanooly shall be delivered into our Hands, whenever they are applied for, & Mr. Watson is ordered down the Coast, to see they perform the same immediately; He also tells me, the General had assured him, the sufferers on the West Coast should receive satisfaction for the seizures formerly made by their Vessels &ca.

I have had the Honour to deliver your Letter to his Excellency & as it was Translated & read in Council I understand the 12th. I hope soon to have the pleasure of confirming this peice of Intelligence by a Vessell which will sail about the latter end of this Month.

I am permitted to repair & load the Plassey according to Mr. Ardleys Indent excepting the Arrack & sugar which Articles I must purchase I find from the Dutch Companys Godowns at a higher price though not so good.

The Panther King's ship is still under repair at Onroost, she will be finished in about two Weeks she is ordered by the Commodore to follow the Revenge down the Sumatra Shore & inform the Gentlemen at Padong, that if they offer to molest the Companys People at Nattal or Tappanooly or their trading Vessels they may depend on being called to a severe Account as soon as the Admiral or Commander in Chief of his Majestys Fleet are informed of such their proceedings. On this ship Mr. Herbert will take his Passage for Marlbro̅ the Commodore having given particular directions to the Captain to land him there.

The latest Advices from Europe was by a ship which sailed from Holland in September last. They bring Accounts of two Actions in Germany between the Prussians and Austrians and the Allies and French. The Prussian gained some advantages & are entrenched now strongly & so advantageously as to cut off all supplies to the Enemy; The Allies have also been Victorious, but it is not said if the Affair was decissive or General Admiral Cornish has been at Mauritius & the Rendevous, He has received some dispatches from Europe by the Terpsichore Frigate, who advise that the Commodore Kepple was not coming out: The York Kings ship & Companys ship Revenge got foul of each other. the York lost her Head Bowsprit & foremast & Maintop Mast, the Revenge was so much hurt as to be very near foundering: The York got into the Cape (where is also the Chatham, Alderney Sloop, & above Frigate) and the Revenge hither.

The Governor of Zeylon arrived here about a Week ago, Commodore Mole also came in from the same place two Days After. He met with Mr. Tinker in the Streights who finding the Dutch Commodore did not strike his Pennant ordered the Revenge & Bellaine to run alongside of him & oblige him to it which was accordingly performed. For this day or two past there are reports in Town that a Fleet of 15 sail of Ships were arrived from France at the Mauritius and have sunk seven of our Men of War; Again that a Storm happened there in which the same Number of Ships was lost; But they gain no Credit & are supposed to be raised in revenge for the discipline they receive; as Mr. Mole ship it is said brings this news & 'tis pretended it came from the Coast of Coromandel to Zeylon.

Mr. Tinker is still cruizing in the streights.

I am very respectfully

Hon̅ble Sir & Sirs

Your obedient servant

Randolph Marriott.

Batavia

20th. April 1762.

N°. 85.

To the Hon̅ble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governour &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Hon̅ble Sir & Sirs

The enclosed Letter was designed to go ℔ the Success Snow Captn. Cowan belonging to Charles Bourchier Esqr. under the Management of Mr. Herbert, the Master was directed to sail from the road the 19th. & wait further Orders at Onrust instead of which he went clear off to sea without stopping. I am therefore necessitated to take the opportunity of Captain Vincents Long Boat who sails from hence this Evening that if my Letters does not overtake the Snow in the Streights they may go in the Osterley. I beg your Honour &ca. will

not think me negligent in this Affair but I believe I shall take all opportunities of giving whatever Intelligence I can collect & assuring you that I am with the greatest Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Servant
RANDOLPH MARRIOTTE.

BATAVIA
21ST. APRIL 1762.

N°. 86.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

By our Honble Masters Ship True Briton which left this place the 7th. Instant we last addressed you & have not since been favoured with any Letters from you.

Agreable to what we then advised, we now dispatch the Royal Captain to your Place, having first ordered her to Trinconemalee to Land some stores & Provisions for the use of the Squadron, the quantity of which has rendered it impossible for us to put on board more, than three hundred Bales in part of her Cargoe amounting to Rupees 15281–1–90 as ℔ accompanying Invoice and Bill of Lading but which we hope will be no disappointment as the Gentlemen at Bengal advise us, that they purposed sending a further supply of five Lacks of Rupees, in all the Month of March which will we imagine, enable your Honour &ca. to compleat this ships stock to China & render it unnecessary to send her to Bengal as was at first intended.

On the True Briton we embarked two French Officers to proceed to Europe and now send four on this ship, having paid the Commanders at the rate of 40£ each for their Passage. A List shewing their Names and Rank is now enclosed in order for its being forwarded to the Supracargoes of Council at Canton.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants
CHARLES CROMMELIN.
T. BYFELD.
J. SPENCER.
P. E. WRENCH.
ROBERT HOLFORD.
SAMUEL COURT.

BOMBAY CASTLE
1ST. JUNE 1762.

N°. 87.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The Badness of the Weather having occasioned the detention of the Royal Captain affords us an opportunity of acknowledging Receipt of your Honour &ca. Letter of the 28th. April with the Extract of the Honble Companys Commands to you under the 30th. September last, notwithstanding which we have

adhered to our Resolution of sending this ship to you, as we cannot employ her in any other Manner, and should the provision you are ordered to make for the ships expected from Europe destined to China put it out of your Power to furnish her with a stock for that Market we must in such case recommend her being sent to Bengal as was at first intended or employed in such other Manner as you may think most of our Honble Masters Interest.

As the Packet your Honour &c^{a}. forwarded us from the Honble Company contained only a Triplicate [of] their Commands of the 19th. June last We request you would inform us how far you may be able to comply with their orders for the Presidencies mutually assisting each other & whether it would be in your Power to afford us any help towards providing for the six ships destined hither exclusive of the Boscawen.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Servants

Cha: Crommelin &c^{a}. Council.

Bombay Castle
3^{d}. June 1762.

N°. 88.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^{r}.
President & Governor &c^{a}. Council of Fort St^{t}. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter of the 28th. Ultimo enclosing an Extract from the Honble Companys General Letter received by the Tilbury wherein I observe it is their directions as well as yours that fifteen thousand Peices of Long Cloth of a fine Blue deep Dye be provided as Part of the Investment. Agreable to your Orders I have talked with the Merchants on this Head and herewith enclose you their proposals which I this day received from them they promise to bring in a part by the end of September.

You may be assured Gentlemen that due regard shall be paid to my Honble Masters Commands.

I am with respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servant

Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
2^{d}. July 1762.

N°. 89.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^{r}.
President & Governor &c^{a}. Council of Fort St^{t}. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Honour &c^{a}. Favor of the 21st. Ultimo enclosing Minutes of Consultation concerning the Investment a statement of the proposals made by the Vizagapatam Merchants and the prices your Honor &c^{a}. are willing to give for the Cloth is received as I have for some time past expected your Commands on this Head I had sent for the Merchants to return hither: I expect them in a Day or two when I will make them acquainted with them and use my utmost endeavours to bring them to an Agreement conformable thereto.

I shall observe your Orders in respect to the Annual report ordered to be sent concerning the Investment.

I am likewise favoured with your Honours &c^{as}. Letter of the 25th. Ultimo inclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading of part of the Indent of wares & Stores for use of this Settlement (Laden on the Vizagapatam Snow) which have been duely received, the remainder I hope your Honor &c^{a}. will be pleased to order may be sent me by the first Opportunity.

I am much obliged to your Honour &c^{a}. for the Orders sent to Metchlepatam for Lieut^{t}. Smith to proceed to this Place and am with the greatest Esteem.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. & most Obliged humble Serv^{t}.

THO : HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
9TH. JUNE 1762.

N°. 90.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT, GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T} GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The present serves to enclose to your Honour &c^{a}. the Accounts of this Settlement for the Months of April & May.

The Uppara Merchants are not yet arrived, consequently I have not yet had an opportunity of putting your last orders concerning the Investment into Execution, but will do it the Instant I am enabled, I am with the greatest Esteem.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedt. & most obliged humble Serv^{t}.

THO : HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
13TH. JUNE 1762.

N°. 91.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since my last I have had an oppertunity of communicating your Honour &c^{a}. last orders respecting the Investment to the Merchants and have taken all the pains Imaginable to bring them to a strict compliance with your terms. but it is not to be done, they one and all declaring that they cannot engage to furnish the Investment with Cloths of a better Quality or for a less price than what is mentioned in their Letter and Proposals which I have now the Honour to enclose you.

Your Honour &c^{a}. will observe that the prices now offered for some of the cloths are not strictly in proportion to those in the first Proposal, which I objected too but could not bring them to alter it, the reason they gave me for it was this, that as these cloths were to consist of more Punjums or calls than

those, The Thread must be finer in Proportion, consequently the Weavers must pay a greater Price for it, and the allowance they had made on that Account was as small as the nature of the thing would admit of.

I beg leave to assure your Honour &c^{a}. that no Endeavors of mine has been wanting to promote the Company's Interest upon this occasion and Indeed I must say I have succeeded beyond my hopes in bringing them to agree for Cloths of so superior a Quality to those which the Investments have hitherto consisted of. I therefore flatter myself that the Merchants proposals will meet with your Approbation. In hopes of which I have recommended it to them to lose no time in setting the Weavers to work in order that something might be done for the September Dispatch but at the same time I am afraid they will pay little regard to it before the thing is finally agreed too.

I shall observe your Orders in Respect to the Annual Report concerning the Investm^{t}. & am with the greatest Esteem.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

VIZAGAPATAM — Your most Obed^{t}. & obliged humble Serv^{t}.

21ST. JUNE 1762. — THO : HEATH.

N^{o}. 92.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since writing you under the 26th. April whereof we now enclose a Duplicate, we have have [*sic*] received your sundry Favors ℔ Cuddalore Schooner, & ship Chesterfield, under date the 13th. & 27th. April 3^{d}. 5th. & 17th. May together with the Honble Companys Packets for our Presidency ℔ London Snow.

We have forwarded your Acc^{ts}. of Stores furnished to his Majesty's 84th. Regiment to Col. Coote & shall retransmit them to you when he has vouch'd and returned them to us.

We now enclose you Report of a Survey made by our Master Attendant on the Leopard Snow, & Cuddalore Schooner whereby you will perceive the bad State that those Vessels are at present in, occasioned by their long detention on your Coast, we must therefore request you will not in future, detain our Vessels so long without repair, because they will thereby be rendered quite irreparable, or at least involve the Company in a large Expence to refit them for their Service.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

FORT WILLIAM — Your most Obedient humble Servant

7TH. JUNE 1762. — HENRY VANSITTART.

P. AMYATT.

TO THE HONBLE HEN^{Y}. VANSITTART ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM IN BENGAL.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have surveyed the Leopard Snow & find she wants the following Repairs Viz^{t}. her Lower Deck new planked fore & aft, a new Capstain & new Night

Head, and three pair of Standards on the upper Deck and her Cuttwater Repair'd as also new Caulk'd and sheath'd and I am afraid she will want new lower Masts, however shall inform your Honours further concerning them when we come to Over haul them more [strictly], all her other Masts and Yards are compleat, she will require a compleat set of sails new standing Rigging fore and aft and a good deal of running Rigging.

I have likewise surveyed the Cuddalore Schooner and finds she wants new masts and Yards fore and aft & standing & running Rigging new Caulked & sheathed and a new false Keel her Decks & upper Warks likewise wants repairs.

I am with due respects
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
ALEXANDER SCOTT.
Master Attendant.

CALCUTTA
31ST. MAY 1762.

N°. 93.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Favors of the 17th. & 25th. Ultimo and have transmitted Mr. Dolben a copy of that part relating to the Bandarmalanka Merchants earnestly recommending it to him to use his utmost endeavours to persuade them to contract for the Investment agreable to their proposals and the Company's Instructions.

I have advanced the Merchants here for Chay Goods six hundred pagodas each, they promise the whole Quantity within five Months.

Herewith you will receive the Monthly Accounts for this Settlement for June.

I am with respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedt. humble Servant
RICHD. FAIRFIELD.

MASULIPATAM
3D. JULY 1762.

N°. 94.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your Letter of the 8th. acknowledging the receipt of the Merchants proposals for providing of Blue Cloth, advising that Shreilapatty at Sixty one Pagodas ℔ Corge is the lowest and that the price was formerly

fifty seven and a half ℔ Corge, he tells me that the price in the year 1752 & 1753 was sixty Pagodas & a half, as the Company require it to be made of a fine Blue deep dye, and the Quantity three times greater than ever used to be provided at this place it will raise the price of Indigo much, that he cannot contract for less than sixty one Pagodas the corge according to the Musters he had delivered, and promises the fifteen thousand peices shall be agreable to it, the Cloth as well as the colour appears to me to be very good.

I am with respect
Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
12th. July 1762.

N°. 95.

To the Hon̄ble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

The Accounts of Cuddalore now wait on you for the Month of June with an Indent of Madeira Wine which I shall be glad were complied with soon, as also the stores Indented for in March last, and a sett of Bales screws these being much wanted for the Service of the Settlement.

I am with respect
Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
16th. July 1762.

N°. 96.

To the Hon̄ble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

We wrote your Honour &ca. last [. . .] the 10th. Ultimo & now dispatch this on purpose, to enclose a packet for the Hon̄ble the President & Council of Bombay containing our Annual Papers which we must request you will please to forward to them by the very first Opportunity we remain with respect.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
T. Whitehill.
Arthur King.
William Stratton.

Anjengo
20th. June 1762.

N°. 97.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We are ordered by the Governor & Council to demonstrate to you that the Bills of 1400 Spanish dollars which were lately paid to our Secretary properly ought to have been paid in old Negapatnam Pagodas or according to their intrinsick value in Star Pagodas, with 8 ℔ Ctos. Agio according to that is wanting Pags.
to the sum of 991⅔ more 79⅓ pagodas of equal Coin, we request you earnestly for their payment by the Bearer hereof & have the Honour to be with respect &ca.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants
P. J. Domieux.
Ns. De. Jonchere.

Pulicat
16th. July 1762.

N°. 98.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I had the Honour of your Letter by the Fox Captain Hume who Imported here the 9th. of last Month, she now returns with what I have procured as ℔ the enclosed Invoice & Bill of Lading.

I am sorry as well that I am not able to give her so quiet a dispatch as I could wish, but that I have not been fully capable of sending all the Indent, the Vessels with plank & Timber not being come in from Java which make them scarce. I am told I can send the large plank on freight by Dutch Ships to Negapatam if so and their terms are easy I shall take the first Opportunity if I can purchase them soon.

I waited on the General for his pleasure after delivering the Letters which I brought, He told me he would reply to them the first Opportunity; directed me to send to him particulars relating to the Vessels seized on the West Coast which he would immediately enquire into. That in respect to what Commodore Tinker informed me concerning Nattall & Tappanooly being promised to be relinquish'd his Excellency absolutely denied ever to have made any such promise; That he had referr'd it home to the states & must wait their decission.

I accordingly addressed him on the subject of the Vessels seized. Copy of my Letter goes a Number in this Packet. A few days after I received an order to attend His Excellency which having obeyed he told me there was a Paragraph in the Letter I had delivered which he thought highly affronting as I seemed to threaten on non compliance I told his Excellency it gave me much Chagrin to find that what I meant as a sincere desire that things should amicably should [*sic*] be mistaken, That your Honour &ca. Council had told me you insisted on satisfaction & that I thought my duty to represent it to him & the Council that you were firmly resolved to be put off no longer as had been done for many years & that therefore I took the Liberty of recommending it to their serious consideration that those consequences might not attend so trifling an Affair. That I was

conscious I intended nothing but respect, if my meaning was misconstrued, I had nothing but the Integrity of my heart to console me under the Misfortune, but I thought my duty obliged me to say what I did and flattered myself my Superiors would not judge in the Manner his Excellency had done.

To my apoligy he replied it was very well but he must return me my Letter (which he accordingly did) as they could not receive it in that stile. He however told me the enquiry should be made notwithstanding on which I took my leave. The Shabander told me that Copys were taken of every thing & I hope an end will be put to this Affair soon.

Give me leave Gentlemen just to add on this Head that if I was wrong not only to write but to persist in the same Thoughts its an Error in Judgement & not a design to disgust, as I've observed your Orders on that Head scrupulously & believe no one can complain of my conduct since here.

In reply to my repeated desire of staying here till I had your Commands His Excellency told me the Council persisted in their Resolution of my going now I shall proceed therefore when the Plassey is repaired I know not but a Vessel will soon sail from hence for Madrass by her I shall either embark or inform your Honour &c^{a}. what steps I have taken.

Captain Affleck in the Belleine having taken out some Provision from a Dutch ship wrote M^{r}. Herbert to pay the amount as he was going away I discharged it, enclosed is a Bill on Captain Affleck for the Amount which is 506¼ Rix Dollars.

I am with the greatest respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servant
RANDOLPH MARRIOTTE.

BATAVIA
2^{D}. JUNE 1762.

SUPPLEMENT.

Since writing the above I have had Intelligence that two English ships supposed bound for China were seen off this place the 20th. Ultimo had I known sooner would have tryed to get some Intelligence from them. Two Dutch Indiamen are likewise arrived which bring no other advice but that Prince Ferdinand had raised a seige which the French had undertaken and entirely routed them that there was no prospect of Peace but that the French had made overtures for a seperate one which was not accepted, these ships sailed from Holland the 12th. December last. Being entirely a stranger to the Methods of procuring the Goods your Honour and Council directed me to purchase, the Shabandar directed me to a person who He assured me would get them as cheap good & expeditiously as I could desire, I am ashamed to tell you I am greatly deceived in his recommendation for the tedious Manner he has acted & the exorbitant prices he demands makes it appear to me he designs it as a Jobb for he never would deliver his Bill till Yesterday in which comparing it with one Account M^{r}. Herbert left me I find too much difference in the Value that I cannot in Prudence pay till I have the Generals Directions which I am resolved to apply for, so that I cannot fill up the Invoice, accompanying is a List of the different prices that your Honour &c^{a}. may judge how much they endeavour to extort

	M^{r}. Herberts Acc^{t}. R. D^{s}.	Demanded.
Plank of 1 inch	45 ℔ 100	125
ditto of 2 inches	135 Ditto	200

and in proportion for the rest as none of those Sorts are in M^{r}. Herberts List.

From the Shabander I've this Instant learned the Resolutions concerning the West Coast seizure are that they are again applying to Padong for further insight into the affair by which your Honor &c[a]. Council will judge how far We are from the hopes of receiving Restitution.

Enclosed is an Acc[t]. Current of my disbursements to this date.

TO THE RIGHT HONBLE PETRUS ALBERTUS VANDERPARRA GOVERNOR GENERAL FOR THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIA COMPANY & PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL AT BATAVIA & TO THE REST OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SAID COUNCIL.

RIGHT HONBLE SIR & HONBLE SIRS

The seizures of the several Vessells belonging to the Gentlemen in the service of the Honble English East India Company on the West Coast of Sumatra and for which they have not had the least satisfaction have been often represented and is again ordered to be repeated to this Government.

I flatter myself your Excellency & your Honors will determine to do us justice as the Papers I have to deliver & what I have to address on that Head must make it appear that from fault or Misdemeanor have We been injured that what [was] done is contrary to the Laws of Nations & common justice; In short that these Acts of Oppression were pursued merely because we were unable to redress ourselves.

The Vessels I am to demand reparation for are the Expedition Praw taken in Padong Road in the year 1755 the Vessel & Master were sent to Batavia and the latter was banished to Pooloo Dammer. The Praw Sinkil was seized at Teekoo & sold at Padong. The Random Sloop going over to Pooloo Nias the Crew murdered the Master & was making for some of the Islands near Padong when she was descried by one of the cruizing Panchallongs from that place & chased on shore. In respect to the Expedition Praw you will please to observe by the Narrative N°. 1 which I enclose for your Excellency's & Your Honour's perusal together with the Copy's of the Letters to & from Hirzeet & the Gentlemen of Council at Padong that the Master to show his designs just & obviate all jealousy when he arrived instantly waited on the Governor with his Pass.

The false and frivolous pretences made use off for the seizure of the Vessell & Cargoe fully evince the Evil Mind of that Gentleman (& I must judge he made use of more specious Arguments than he did to our Government of Fort Marlbro) to induce his late Excellency & the Gentlement [*sic*] of Council here to gain their Approbation, of his unwarrantable & unjust proceedings & get a confirmation of what deserves a severe Punishment. The attested copy of the Stock & Block of this Vessel is Mislaid but as a prop[r]ietor & who had all the management of this concern I am willing to make Affidavit to the Acc[t]. N°. 3 as being the true Value.

The case of the Praw Sinkil is much the same as the above, therefore nothing need be said further about her than that a like issue must happen to both.

The Random Sloop's detention confiscation & sale is more particular, the Master was murdered but before the Villains could make any advantage of their Prize a Dutch Cruizer obliged them to quit their Vessel in order to escape from their hands, where otherwise they would have received the reward their Crime deserved here, M[r]. Hurzeete shewed his different Notions of Justice from his late Excellency & Council. For in a similar case which was that of a small Vessel belonging to M[r]. Carter late Governor of Bencoolen bound for Madrass from Nattall the Crew Murdered the Master. The Vessel afterwards drove on the Java Shore where it was taken in like manner with the former & delivered back to M[r]. Carter when it was demanded as his property, M[r]. Huzeete indeed

promised me to write in my Behalf to his late Excellency & the Council as knowing she was my Property, how far he performed his promise I cannot pretend to judge; a further Proof of the Validity of my claim being acknowledged, is one of the Murderers was sent from Padong on my demanding him, & the others promised to be seized & sent likewise if they appeared as they were known to be in those Parts.

In the year 1758 I had the Misfortune to loose a sloop on the Island of Noosee. The Master having missed the straights Mouth through Ignorance & got to the Place by Chance. His late Excellency had made Enquiry after the People who plundered and burnt her and in a Letter I had the Honour to receive from him on that subject he assured me if there was a possibility of getting me redress I might depend on his procuring it; how his Excellency proceeded in it I must beg may be made an Enquiry, the Extracts marked N°. 7 will fully explain to your Excellency & your Honors the nature of my Request as the utmost of my hopes must be from the Resident of Gumbong; He having from this Account Possession of the Gold which was near five hundred Spanish Dollars.

I have represented nothing but facts concerning the several Vessels if they appear well founded Your Excellency & your Honours will I hope order immediate Restitution.

I might further observe that various Pretexts have been used by the Gentlemen at Padong in order to defend their proceedings, such as the illegality of the Passes, though made in the name of the Honble English East India Company & sealed with their seal, the deficiency of our Companys claim to a Trade in those parts. But as these will plainly Occur to your Excellency & your Honors I shall say nothing on those Heads.

His late Excellency offered Mr. Herbert one half of the Vessells in question; if we had a right to one half why not to the whole. But I have now more sanguine Expectations that your Excellency, by the so ready compliance shewed & resolving without hesitation to rehear this Affair will put a final decission on it & that my superiors of Madrass & Bengal will have no occasion to apply to the Commander of his Britannick Majestys Fleet in India on this subject as they are resolved to do, if they meet not on this Application suitable satisfaction.

Your Excellency has told me you cannot consent to the request of the Honble President & Council of Madrass for my continuing here in quality of Resident for the English Company. For me to presume to enquire into the Motives of this Refusal is impertinent but I must beg leave to say that as ever since the year 1747 when Mr. Combes first came that peice of service has been deemed necessary & as it may be more essentially needfull for their Honours affairs at present as well as for the Nation in General for thó we are not in his Majesty's Service immediately yet as it is in a great measure for that purpose I am sent, so I judge it is with the Knowledge & consent of the Admiral if not by his desire that one is fix'd here in these troublesome times; however your Excellency's Commands must not be disputed and I hope I shall be pardoned if I request leave to continue till I have orders to dispose of myself, as I know not what part I shall be destined & my returning either to Madrass or going to Bencoolen may disconcert my Superiors Intention.

I am with the profoundest respect
RIGHT HONBLE SIR & HONBLE SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
RANDOLPH MARRIOTTE.

BATAVIA
21ST. MAY 1762

N° 99.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We had the Honour to Receive your Letters dated the 16th. of November & 7th. of March, by Mr. Marriotte and Captain Hume & must commence our Answer by returning our sincere Thanks for your compliment of Condolance on the Loss we have sustained by the Death of General Mosel; & likewise your kindly congratulating his successor who will follow his Example in neglecting no opportunity to cultivate in these Parts, that Harmony which subsists between the Crown of Great Britan & our Republic; We are also obliged to you for acquainting us of Mr. Ardley's appointment to the Gover[n]ment of Fort Marlbro, be assured it will give us great satisfaction to contribute to his Assistance in every respect that does not interfere in our own Interest; we have already given one Instance thereof in permitting Mr. Marriot to dispose of all the Merchandize he brought & purchase Provisions &ca. for the settlement of Bencoolen.

The greatest Part of your Letter dated Novr. 16th. concurs exactly with a Memorial delivered to us by Mr. Marriot the 20th. of April we shall therefore take this oppertunity of answering both and commence with the first of Mr. Marriot's Memorial which requires us to evacuate Nattall & Tappanooly assuring us that Point had been already settled between Captn. Tinker & the General; We cannot imagine what reason Mr. Tinker had for thinking so, as there was no direct conversation between the General & himself relating to either of those Settlements, Mr. Hunter who was always present acknowledges the same but confessed Captain Tinker had some Assurance given him thereof, by Secretary Van Noringrfeb (who is since dead) but was convinced he had no Authority to promise any thing of consequence & that he must apply for the Restitution of those places in a publick Manner, which he never did nor even mentioned a word concerning them till his departure when he informed the Governor he had particular Orders to protect & assist the British subjects on the West Coast and was entirely satisfied with our good Intentions towards them which they should be advised of, We have engaged your Attention but too long in relating a Circumstance of no Material Consequence and shall therefore descend to the Point in Dispute; It was only in the year 1751 that your People established a Factory at Nattall which will plainly appear by Letters we wrote concerning it to the Council at Madras bearing date Octr. 20 1752 & September 30th. 1754. Our Right to Tappanooly & Nattal is founded on an undisturbed Possession of them almost one hundred Years as we asserted in our Letter to Bencoolen dated the 13th. April 1756.

If Right to Possession is founded either on the prior or the latter Date of Treaties we are equally satisfied, for our claim in regard to the first case rests upon a Grant given to our Company by the Emperor of Manincabo who had sole Possession of the Coast from Indraporum to Singo, in the year 1666 and under whose Gover[n]ment those disputed Places were at that time; In respect to the second case, our right is justly founded, for when you was dispossessed of both Nattall & Tappanooly by the French the Inhabitants immediately entered into an Agreement with us and of their own accord renewed their former treaty, we may also add that the People of Nattal assured us, that is was[*sic*] absolute necessity only that made them rely on the Protection of the English. But notwthstanding our Right is so justly founded on a prior claim we shall avoid all disputing about it; & only remark that Begindo Mahazadia Lello who was acknowledged both by the English & Dutch to be their principal Chief never

consented to the Agreement made with the others by your Gover[n]ment at Bencoolen, you seemed likewise to be doubtful in 1753 whether your prentences[*sic*] were Legall or not; for your Letters only express a desire to possess what might be your right & not to injure others; The Council of Bencoolen also wrote in 1751 to ours at Padang that they had entered into such an Agreement at Nattall who they said were independent althó we knew to the contrary as they acknowledged themselves in 1693 by a treaty made with us to be Subjects to the King of Baros & Maningabo and resigned themselves as such under our Protection excluding all other Nations from having any connection with them. It is for these reasons Gentlemen & many others equally as strong that we cannot regard our resettling at Nattall & Tappanooly as an infringement of the treaty subsisting between the two Nations as you are pleased to term it, but rather as renewing an old contract that is rendered now more effectual, by the voluntary submission of the People with whom it was made, which renders us incapable of giving you the satisfaction you demand as it is not in our Power to decide an Affair of such Importance, We must therefore refer you to a determinate Answer that is daily expected, from our Superiors who where [*sic*] long since acquainted with the whole Affair by the ship Schoonzigt. We have no reason to imagine you will disapprove the delay as you sent us the very same answer to our complaints concerning Nattall by your Letter dated March 27th. 1757 namely that you had deferred the decission of the Affair to your Superiors; but we have never had the satisfaction to be acquainted with their determination.

The second part of Mr. Marriot's Letter accuses us of seizing several English Vessells on the Coast of Sumatra in an illegall Manner for which he demands satisfaction & likewise for our banishing a person named Nrachojee Amboon who was Master to one on the Isle of Edam.

We declare we know of no English Vessels that were ever seized by us in an unlawful Manner nor that there ever was a Master of one named Anchova to our knowledge at this place much less that such a Person was banished to the Isle of Edam, if any Circumstances of the kind can be proved even by a private person we will immediately convince you how desirous we are to render justice and that there was no occasion for either Captn. Tinker or Mr. Marriot to apply publickly for redress on that Account.

We cannot avoid expressing our great suprise[*sic*] at the Threatening terms wherewith you [demand] satisfaction, and think it ill agrees with the desire you express to live in Friendship and Harmony with us. The fatal consequences of your application to his Majestys Land & Sea Officers we shall wait for with indifference, being certain his Britannic Majesty's directions can be only just & reasonable & will never warrant any violent proceedings to inforce satisfaction, which we have only refused to a complaint unaccompanied with sufficient & convincing Proofs; we could enumerate many Instances of our readiness to comply with your Requests when the Cases have been different, & are certain you cannot be unacquainted with them, We are willing to believe an unbounded Zeal only could have induced your Honour &ca. to use such severe terms at the conclusion of your Letter dated Novr. 16th.

Notwithstanding we are willing to give you all the satisfaction you can desire in regard to the second part of Mr. Marriotte's Memorial, we find it is impossible for us to do it, Nor can we by any means comply with your request in permitting Mr. Marriotte to reside at this place. Our reasons for refusing it are explained in a Letter we wrote in Answer to one received from Fort Marlbrō concerning Mr. Herberts appointment, who was only permitted to continue here for a short Time; altho at your request he was afterwards permitted to remain and we promised to afford him all necessary assistance; We were likewise desirous to shew Mr. Marriott some Indulgence but he has prevented us by explaining so publickly the purport of his Commission, which being executed he will return; however you may depend upon our yielding all

assistance in our Power to any English Vessel that may stand in need of it, we have already given an Instance of it in supplying Captn. Tinker with the Money he desired; and as much provission as we could possibly spare, but are sorry to assure you those civilyties made no impression on him, as appears by his unfriendly conduct to some of our Vessells which he met in the straights of Sunda, we have complained to Admiral Cornish about it, and don't doubt but his Britannic Majesty will see that we have reasonable satisfaction.

We have however convinced you that we are above being prejudiced against a Nation by the Misconduct of a single Man, having permitted Captain Hume to purchase all the sugar he wanted althó the Quantity exported from hence by Captain Tinker has caused a great scarcity, Captain Hume himself will confirm our Assertion & we hope you will be equally as well satisfied with our proceedings here as with the Assistance your People received at Mallacca, which treatment they shall always meet with from us where they conduct themselves in a reasonable MANNER.

We have the Honor to be
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Servants
P. A. VANDER PARRA.
P. HOOREMAN.
J. V. RIEMSDYK.
JN. SKREUDER.
H. V. BAZEL.
MC. ROMP.

BATAVIA
JULY 1ST. 1762.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONBLE PETRUS ALBERTUS VANDER PARRA GOVERNOR GENERAL & THE HONBLE COUNCIL FOR THE AFFAIRS OF THE NETHERLANDS INDIA COMPANY.

RIGHT HONBLE SIR & HONBLE SIRS

As I have already had the Honor of delivering your Excellency & your Honour's the predisent [*sic*] & Council of Madrass's address of the 16th. November, and also another from the Deputy Governor of Fort Marlbro under date the 26th. March 1762, in obedience to his Excellency's commands I am now to explain the nature of those Commissions which my orders from those places have given me in charge. The first particular regards the delivery of Natall & Tappanooly to the Honble English Company; but in this I think I have great reason to rejoice to find from Commodore Tinker that he has obviated my application by having already amicably settled that Point with your Excellency & your Honours as he has informed me they [are] immediately to be restored.

The second Article consists in a particular request from my Superiors that your Excellency & your Honours will please to reconsider the Injurys which the English Companys Servants on the West Coast of Sumatra has received by the seizure & confiscation of several Vessels with their Cargoes & the banishment of one of the Masters of them (by Name Noqueda Inchio Amboon alias Lee Mohinee) to Pooloo Dammer. In this too the Commodore Tinker has assured me his Excellency promised him the enquiry requested shall be made, of which in my presence the Commodore directed Mr. Hunter Commissary to his Britannic Majesty's Fleet to remind his Excellency. I have therefore nothing more to add, on this Head, than that I have no doubt but I shall meet suitable redress as I have the highest Opinion of your Excellency & your Honours justice & Equity.

The last Article of my Orders are to reside at Batavia to provide for & Assist all shipping & other Matters which relate to the English Companys Affairs & transmitt News which may relate to the safety & welfare of their settlements, & likewise the same to the Admiral or Commodore of his Majesty's Fleet, of any motion of our Enemy the French, & herein I flatter myself I shall have the same countenance & protection as those Gentlemen who have hitherto been so stationed here; For my own particular I beg leave to assure your Excellency & your Honors I shall make it a study to deserve those valuable favours by a decent Behaviour & Conformity to the orders of the Place as I am with the greatest Reverence & respect.

RIGHT HONBLE SIR & HONBLE SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servant
was signed
RANDOLPH MARRIOTT
Accordext
H. GARRISON
Trans.

BATAVIA
19TH. APRIL 1762.

N°. 100.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The several Accounts you forwarded to us in your Letters of the 25th. of March & 3d. of May we sent to Colonel Coote under Cover desiring him to certify the same.

Those enclosed in your Letter of the 25th. March he has certified, and we now transmitt them to you, The others he has refused to sign for reasons he mentions in his Letter of the 23d. Inst. an Extract whereof we send for your Observation.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
W. McC. GWIRE.
W. HAY.

FORT WILLIAM
THE 28TH. JUNE 1762

EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM COLONEL EYRE COOTE DATED AT GHORETTY THE 23D. JUNE 1762.

In regard to the Account of the different disbursements at Madrass for my Regiment which you were pleased to send me in your Letter of the 16th. April those relative to the Hospital Charges I have certified, & now enclose to you the others which are for the ammunition expended, by my Regiment either for their discipline or on the actual service of the Company are of such a nature that I am very certain were I to throw an Expence of that kind on the Government, I should very justly deserve their censure, for if the Gentlemen at Madrass will but consider that 27 Officers & 717 Men of my Regiment have been lost upon the Companys Service on the Coast & in the Fata Salam; and that each Man cost at the least charge for recruiting five Pounds; they will find that

there will then be a very considerable Ballance in favor of the Gover[n]ment (not to mention the Regiment Colours & Stores which were my own private Loss.)

What makes this charge seem the [more] extraordinary to me is the immense Quantity of Military stores taken in the different Forts on the Coast of Choromandel during the time I had the Honour to Command there which have been appropriated by the Company for their use; and to my certain knowledge greatly exceeds the Stores expended in taking those Places.

These Considerations puts it out of my Power to comply with their Request.

A True Copy
Jo. Graham
Sub Secy.

N°. 101.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor & Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Monthly Accounts of this Settlement for July now wait on you.

I have received the enclosed Gentue Paper from Mr. Dolben which, he assures me contains the best Proposals for the Investment at Bandarmalanka that it is possible to bring the Merchants too.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Richd. Fairfield.

Masulipatam
4 August 1762.

N°. 102.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor & Council of Madrass.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Two pair of Pattamars being here belonging to your Presidency we now return one of them and enclose your Honour &ca. Duplicate of our Address under the 18th. May ℔ our Honble Masters ship True Briton, two days after which the Calcutta sailed for Great Britain.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants
Wm. Hornby.
Titus Scot.
Wm. Taylor.
Wm. Ashburner.
Thomas Day.

Tellichery
14th. July 1762.

N. 103.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am favored with yours of the 25th. June & shall agreable to your Orders draw on Mr. Fairfield for such sums as I may want for the use of the Investment.

The Accounts of this Settlement for the Month of June now wait on your Honor &ca.

I am with the Greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient & most obliged humble Servant
Tho: Heath.

Vizagapatam
the 3d. Augt. 1762.

N°. 104.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Accounts of this Settlement for last month now wait on you as the Ballance of Cash is but small, I should be glad twenty thousand Pagodas (20,000) were sent here for carrying on the Investment and defraying the charges of the Settlement.

I am with respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
18th. August 1762.

N°. 105.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favoured with your Letter of the 3d. Ultimo & your Intentions of send [*sic*] three Lacks of Rupees on the True Briton to China and taking measures to [pro]vide for the Royal Captain affords us the highest satisfac[tion.]

In the Letter your Honour &ca transmitted us from Bengall the Gentlemen there acquaint us they shall be able to provide for six Ships; on reference to the List of ships taken up this Season we perceive only that Number is intended for both Coast & Bay consequently your Honor &ca. will be in want of Tonnage for the Goods which you may be able to provide, which proves a fortunate Circumstance for our Honble Masters, as in all probability we shall have more Ships on our Hands than from the present appearance of Things we shall be able to provide Goods for, as exclusive of those destined hither this

Year, the Boscawen of last season still remains in the Country; We therefore request your Honor &c^{a}. would advise us with all possible Expedition the Number of ships you may reasonably expect to provide for that we may take our measures accordingly.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient Servants
CHA : CROMMELIN.
J. BYFIELD.
W. A. PRICE.
J. SPENCER.
CHA : WATERS.
ROBERT HOLFORD.
SAMUEL COURT.

BOMBAY CASTLE
14TH. JULY 1762.

N°. 106.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL AT FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since writing to you under date the 28th. June whereof we have transmitted Duplicate & Triplicate ℔ Pattamar we have received your Letter of the 24th. June advising us of the safe arrival of the Fort S^{t}. George Ship & Snow Syren, We heartily wish to receive equal good Accounts of the Prince Edward.

In consequence of your representation We have wrote the Gentlemen at Patna to know what Quantity of Salt Petre we may expect this Year & when We receive their Answer shall advise you how far it may be in our Power to supply your wants in that Article.

The Captain of the Ship Godolphin has compleated her repair and she has been reported on a survey fit to receive on board the Companys Cargo for Europe: We therefore purpose dispatching her Home in the beginning of August and as We have already informed you that We can load Home six Ships with this Years Investment, or if occasion requires divide their whole Tonnage on five You may dispatch to us either of those Numbers of Ships as may be most convenient for your own Affairs.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Servants
HENRY VANSITTART.
W. M^{CC}. GWIRE.
W. HAY.

FORT WILLIAM
12TH. JULY 1762.

N°. 107.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^R^.

President & Governor &c^A^. Council at Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since we wrote you under the 14th. Ultimo we have been favoured with your Letters of the 17th. & 28th. June with the several Packets & Papers enclosed, & as by the former we perceive you will be able to provide Cargoes for two ships, we propose sending the Boscawen and one of those expected directly from Europe to Bengal, which will enable the Gentlemen there to load home their own Goods & supply you with Tonnage for yours; The remaining ships to be sent Home directly from hence; We hope to be able to provide Cargoes for, in case of our having more Goods than may be sufficient for that purpose (which however is not probable) we shall judge for ourselves as to the Expediency of returning Home either the Winchel [sea] or Britannia directly.

The large supply of Treasure you have been able to send China affords us the highest satisfaction and will be a most pleasing Circumstance to our Honble Masters as it likewise will to hear of your being in a Capacity to supply us with five Lacks which as we cannot now draw for, your Honor &c^a^. will please to accept any good Bills that may be tendered in our Favor, for half that amount and in case of our having an Opportunity we shall only draw upon you for the Remainder.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Servants

Cha: Crommelin &c^A^. Council.

Bombay Castle
12th. August 1762.

N°. 108.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^R^.

President & Governor &c^A^. Council of Fort S^T^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

By a ship which arrived here Yesterday from Batavia we received a Letter directed to your Honors which we have now the Pleasure to forward and are with Respect

Honble Sir & worthy Friends

Your most Obedient humble Servant

Negapatam Castle
23^D^. August 1762.

Ch: Van Teylingen.
D^D^. C. Vick.
Ant: Bonk.
P^S^. Canter Vischer.
H. Bonte.
J. A. Severin.
Con^Y^. Pretors.
P. J. L^S^. De Fellietta.
J^N^. P^S^. Dietloff.
P^R^. Vermont.
J^S^. Baselhamp.

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N°. 109.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Monthly Accounts of this Settlement for August now wait on you.

At Mr. Heath's request I sent him overland the 17th. ultimo a supply of ten thousand (10,000) Madrass Pagodas.

I take the Liberty to remind you that the Salt Farm & Pettah Juncan expire the former the 1st. November & the latter the 22d. of next Month.

I have the Honor to transmitt an Indent for Medicines, which I beg the favor may be complied with as soon as possible as the Surgeon acquaints me he is in very great want of them.

I am with respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. humble Servant
Richd. Fairfield.

Masulipatam
4th. September 1762.

N°. 110.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter dated the 8th. Instant together with (20000) twenty thousand Pagodas on Account of the Investment.

Agreable to your directions of the 11th. of May, I have sent to Trichinopoly six hundred stand of English Arms and two hundred French.

The Accounts of this Settlements for the Month of August now wait on you. I am with respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
16th. September 1762.

N°. 111.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor & Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am very sorry to acquaint your Honor &ca. that some differences have lately arose between the Vizanagram Rajah and his Tributarys which will prevent me from making any Progress in the Investment till they are settled which I hope will very soon be the case.

The Accounts of this Settlement for the Month of July now wait on your Honor &c^{a}. & I am with the greatest Esteem.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^{t}. & most Obliged humble servant

THO: HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
THE 4TH. SEPTEMBER 1762.

N°. 112.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have received your favors of the 2^{d}. 3^{d}. & 4th. Instant ℔ Hardwicke, the several Articles you have wrote for shall be forwarded the first conveyance that offers.

I have directed M^{r}. Dolben to call once more upon the Merchants & acquaint them you expect they will deliver more moderate proposals for providing the Investment.

I have given Notice that sealed proposals for the Farms will be received till the 23^{d}. Instant.

The Seapoy Regulation shall be punctually complied with but I beg leave to request a compleat Copy of the Seapoy Regulations for our guidance as none have ever been sent here. I am with respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Serv^{t}.

RICH: FAIRFIELD.

MASULIPATAM
[12TH. SEPTEMBER] 1762.

N°. 113.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

The 31st. of last Month having received my dispatches from M^{r}. Ardley at Marlbro I embarked on the Plassey for Batavia to execute your Commands at that Place; the meeting with Captain Edwards in the streights of Sunda is an Opportunity too favorable to omit to inform you that the Temple & Plassey got safe to Marlbro the 4th. & 7th. of February as did also the Osterley the 26th. the same.

I enclose a Letter addressed to your Honour &c^{a}. from M^{r}. Ardley in which I doubt not but he gives you a full insight into the state of the West Coast, to which I shall therefore add nothing, but that I left them all well.

By this Vessel I understand Commodore Tinker in the Medway, with the Panther, Bellaine and Seahorse are at Batavia, that the Revenge & Admiral Steevens sailed for the Mauritius some time ago, but these matters as I have them by this Conveyance, the Master will be able to give your Honor &c^{a}. a more Circumstantial Account than time will allow me.

I entertain the most sanguine hopes of success in the demands I am ordered to make, as his Majesty's ships are here and I beg leave to assure your Honor &c^{a}. I shall use my best endeavours, in my addresses to the General &c^{a}. be cautious of giving offence to them and at the same time carefully & diligently

apply myself to this Business & if I find they trifle with or put me off make immediate Application to the Commander of his Majestys Fleet.

The Plassey is ordered to be repaired and return with Stores to Marlbro. I shall send her back as soon as I can.

I shall do myself the Honor of addressing You by all Opportunity.

And am very respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Servant

RANDOLPH MARRIOTT.

STRAIGHTS SUNDA

ON BOARD THE PLASSEY

THE 5TH. APRIL 1762.

N°. 114.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have received your favor of the 30th. of June advising of the arrival of our Honble Master's ship Tilbury.

Our Chief and Council at Patna acquaint us that our Salt Petre Investment will fall short by reason of the untimely Rains, and that We are to expect no more than seventy thousand Maunds [o]n the whole.

We before flattered ourselves that the Quantity would have been ninety thousand and upon that computation reckoned We might give each Ship three hundred Tons as We did last Year, and which would have enabled us to dispatch six ships but as We fall short in this Article and the demands of your Presidency & Bombay are very earnest we have determined to divide our Investment into five ships only and then we shall be able to give them their Loading without exceeding the Quantity of two hundred & fifty Tons of Salt Petre each.

By this alteration we shall be able to give you a supply of 10,000 Maunds being three hundred & thirty Tons & to Bombay Presidency 20,000 Maunds.

Our first dispatch from Patna which is now on the way down consists of twelve thousand Maunds out of which We must reserve enough to compleat the Admiral Watson with the Help of our last Years remains but We [. . . .] three thousand Maunds by some Conveyance early in September which will be sufficient with what you have got out of the Fatty dad for your October ship.

By five ships to be loaded for Europe as before mentioned We mean five of the present years ships exclusive of the Godolphin & Admiral Watson the former of which is now taking in her Cargo, and will leave the River as soon as the Pilots think they can safely take charge of her.

Please to forward the enclosed Letter for Bombay with all Expedition as it is necessary the Gentlemen there should be acquainted as early as possible with what Quantity of Salt Petre they may expect.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedt. Servants

HENRY VANSITTART.
P. AMYATT.
WM. MCO. GWIRE.
WARREN HASTINGS.
W. HAY.

FORT WILLIAM

2D. AUGT. 1762.

N°. 115.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Honour &ca. Favor of the 23d. of July which reached us the 15th. August.

This serves purposely to advise your Honour &ca. that the King of Travencore having pressingly requested of us a sett of Bills on your Honor &ca. for Bombay new Rupees twenty five thousand (25000) payable thirty days after sight to Daqueen Nilacunda Xiva, or his order which as we have not been able to dissuade him from & fearing that an absolute denial would prove very detrimental to the Honble Companys Affairs at this Settlement we have been obliged to comply with his request [& have] accord[ingly] this day drawn a sett of Bills upon your Honour &ca. for the above Sum which we are in hopes your Honour &ca. will duely Honor.

We are very respectfully

Anjengo
31st. August 1762.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedt. humble Servants
T. Whitehill.
Arthur King.
William Stratton.
Robert Sparks.

N°. 116.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Letter of the 17th. with Invoice & Bill of Lading of Stores enclosed by the Boat Lachmy she has delivered her Loading & you will receive Invoice & Bill of Lading of the Brittannia Cargo. Captn. Delia has behaved himself very ill all the time he lay in Cuddalore road, I have had from him many Letters threatening to go away if I did not immediately dispatch him & last night he sailed without waiting for them. I must request a further supply of twenty thousand Pagodas on Account the Investment. I am with respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
27th. September 1762.

N°. 117.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

A Portuguese Vessel named the Consusan, Etevan Camel Commander calling here I have taken the opportunity of sending on board him seven Bales of Blue cloth on Account of the Honble Company, I endeavoured, to persuade him to stay eight or ten days to take [up] the Bales I might have ready but could not prevail on him.

I am with respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
1st. October 1762.

N°. 118.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I now transmitt the several proposals I have received for the Farms, in regard to the Salt Mahomed Hussain Cawn is the only bidder of Reputation, he also bids for the Pettah Juncan & Idrobad Customs, his Father Ismael Beg is a Man of the greatest Fortune & Credit in this Province Maudrause Ramiah, Gorause & Reddy Naigue are Men of good Characters as are Arechundarause & Bollapreggado Caumiah the rest are Men I cannot say much in favour of.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Richd. Fairfield.

Masulipatam
23d. September 1762.

N°. 119.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The General and Council of Batavia been determined to abide by the Resolution they had taken not to admit of my continueing in that City as Resident for the English Company, his Excellency the General the 14th. July sent for & told me that if I chose to proceed for the Coast directly one of their ships which was bound for Negapatam the 21st. should have directed to carry me thither. I had no other choice but this or the Plassey [. . .] Bencoolen to the latter place as I could be no ways se[. . .] and my being there a great deal of Expence and loss [. . .] and I accepted the former Offer and

embarked on the Sclotenberg the 22d. after having given the Plassey her Dispatch and directed the Captain to proceed to Marlbro as soon as he had got his Water in & ship compleatly rigg'd both which were nearly accomplished and he judged he should have finished & get away the 25th. following.

The Sea Nymph after having been from Batavia two Months returned thither the 29th. June having met very bad Weather, and nothing but North & Westerly Winds & currents all the time of her being out she was very Leaky & had broke her main Boom & wanted many other repairs which were compleated the Day I left that place & she was going out of the River that Evening. I have given orders to the Master & Captain Hague to keep Company if possible to Marlbro, the above Vessel met the Panther the 21st. of May of Fortune Island and the 26th. June the Fox with several Dutch ships & the Elizabeth Snow for Madrass off Bantam, they not being able to get out of the straights the Winds & Current still running strong from the West.

There being a large Quantity of Salt & Plank remaining & the Plassey not been able to take twenty Canisters of Sugar Candy which I had bought for Marlbro all which occasions warehouse Room and people to take care of them I left with Mr. James Burnet 500 R.Ds. to pay those Charges. The General had given me permission to procure Praws to transport those Articles to Marlbro. As I had not time to get any I left it to the Charge of this Gentlemen [*sic*] to do it, if He can it will lessen the Expences & likewise hinder the loss laying there any time may occasion, if not of the whole should any accident happen to those with whom they are entrusted.

The Boneta Ketch Captn. Thos. Forrest which belonged to Henry Vansittart Esqr. Governor of Bengal was lost off Salayar the 27th. Febry. of which he sent me Notice in a Letter to Mr. Vincent a Burgher of Batavia dated the 23d. March. The Morning I embarked (about an hour before) I received a Note from him and his Chief Officer acquainting me they were confined on board a Dutch ship then in Batavia road, & desired my interposition. As the Captain was gone on Board & the ship might probably sail immediately I could not attend his Excellency to enquire into this Affair as he lived some Miles from the Town. I therefore went to the Shabandar & demanded to know why they were Prisoners but he would only tell me that an order had been made in Council and that they were to be released & sent on shore, so that they must have been arrived some days, For fear however of any collusion I wrote to Captain Hague a Letter directing him to wait on the General as soon as possible to get some Information concerning them & their Freedom if he could.

The 19th. Instant I arrived here & purposing to proceed soon to your Honour &ca. Council at Madrass I conclude myself.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your Obedient Servant
RANDOLPH MARRIOTT.

NEGAPATAM
THE 20TH. SEPTR. 1762

No. 120.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR & COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since writing to you the 2d. Instant ℔ Pattamar (whereof Duplicate has been forwarded by a like Conveyance) we have received your several Letters of the 6th. & 12th. Instt. by our Honble Masters ship Clinton & Syren Snow.

We find by a statement which we have made of the Tonnage of our Investment that the large supplys of Salt Petre we have promised your's & Bombay Presidency and as the deficiency this year of that Investment in itself, will occasion our falling short in Bale Goods even to compleat [full] Ladings to five of our own Ships.

It is therefore out of our [Power to] supply you with that species of Goods for the Tonnage which you fear to be deficient in for your October Ship; but we hope that the first 100 Tons of Salt Petre laden on the Spencer now under dispatch for your Place, will fully answer for the Service you intended by the Bale Goods, as your Tonnage of Petre on that bottom will not then exeed [*sic*] two hundred & fifty Tons.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Servant
W. Mcc. Gwire.
Warren Hastings.
W. Hay.

Fort William
26th. Augt. 1762.

N°. 121.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote to you under date the 26th. Ulto. ℔ Pattamar whereof we now enclose you Duplicate, & the Admiral Watson has since arrived with us, with Redwood agreable to your Invoice, & the receipts received in a Letter from Mr. Turing at Durassapatam.

Agreable to what we wrote you in our said Letter of the 26th. Ultimo we now enclose you Invoice & Bill of Lading of fifteen thousand Baggs of Salt Petre laden on the Spencer Captn. William Brown. The Ship Leaves Town to day & will proceed directly to your Place.

As we find upon a still further enquiry that We shall fall deficient in our Tonnage of Bale Goods even to lade home five full Ships, we request your Honor &ca. will advise us immediately on receipt hereof, what share of Assistance you can give us in filling up a ship or two to Europe in the Month of January. We flatter ourselves that the now tranquil state of your Affairs has had amongst others that good Effect upon Your Investment as to enable you to render us this Assistance, without any Manner of difficulty & We must remark that the Advantage of it to our Honble Masters will appear very evident as in such case we shall be able to dispatch Home five Charter party ships and the Admiral Watson whereas if we cannot receive this Assistance from your Quarter we shall be obliged to detain in the Country the Admiral Watson or one of the Chartered ships at a very heavy Expence of Demorage.

With an Intention to have complied with your Indent for Military Stores, we directed a return to be delivered in of the Quantity now in our storehouse, whereby we are sorry to find it is not in our Power at all to supply you as the great deficiency of these very Articles renders it necessary. We should ourselves endeavor to procure an Increase of them as soon as possible; And as we are taught by the 30th. Paragraph of the Court of Directors Letter ℔ Tilbury (whereof we now enclose you a Copy) to place our Chief reliance on your Honor &ca. for furnishing us for Military Articles, We hope you will use every means possible for procuring at the same Time you can provide for yourselves a supply for us.

The Stores which you detained out of the Clinton are stationed in her Invoice as follows & debited to your Presidency accordingly Vizt.

		Q	Qr.	lb		sh.					
Europe Cable 1 of 11 Inch	Wt.	30	1	6	@	36¼	℔	C	£	55	1	—
Sloops Mast 1 of 19 Inches 78 Foot Long		..		...		...		...	...	26	19	—
				Charges at ½ ℔ Cent					...	—	8	2½
									£	82	8	2½ or

℔ Lis. Crs. 659. 4. 6.

The Gentlemen at Fort Marlbró have [sent] us an Indent for some stores, & advised us that they expect to receive from you other Articles to the Amount of perhaps 200 Tons. We therefore desire to know at what Time & by what Conveyance your Honor &ca. propose sending them your Part & whether you could not also transport along with it, the Articles provided here which may be about 200 Tons more if we should send them down to you on a casual Freight Vessel.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. [humble servants]

[. . .]

Warren Hastings.

[. . .]

Fort William
6 September 1762.

N°. 122.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have now the pleasure to enclose a new Sett of Proposals from the Bandarmalanka Merchants which if they can be kept up to the Number of Punjums, may be deemed very reasonable, they have only raised the Price of the Ordinary, which they really could not Afford to bring in good at the former rate, they also consent to receive 25 ℔ Ct. advance and to be paid for the Cloth as they bring it in by next September they seem to think they can compleat 1000 Bales upon strict enquiry it appears their reasons for holding out so long was, that one Pattisum a Vizagapatam Merchant Brother to Lachimchitty Mullo our head Merchant wrote to them that the prices were raised three Pagodas ℔ Corge at Vizagapatam & that they should insist upon the same; when I heard this I informed them that as they would not provide the Investment upon reasonable Terms I should withdraw the Factory, this immediately produced the present proposals.

The Monthly Accounts for September & Books ending 30th. April 1762 now wait on you, I also enclose a pay Roll of the Invalids as they say they were paid at Madrass which I cannot contradict having received no Roll with them, they also infrom me that stoppages were made at Madrass for their Cloathings, I therefore request your Honour &ca. will inform me whether their Information be just or not. I am with respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. hble. Servant

Rich: Fairfield.

Masulipatam
4 October 1762.

[N°. 123.]

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The present serves to forward your Honour &ca. the Books of this Settlement endg. last April and to acquaint you that the Disturbances in the Country have ceased so far as to enable the Merchants to carry on the Business with a little security.

I am with the greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most Obliged humble Servant
Tho: Heath.

Vizagapatam
15 September 1762.

N°. 124.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The 12th. Instant a Soldier of this Garrison named Pew murdered his Cook Boy, there were two Children of about seven years of Age in the Room when he committed the Murder when they alarmed the Soldiers in the Barracks with their Cries. several of them forced into the room when he immediately confessed he had stabbed the Boy & gave Serjeant Smith the Knife he did it with, he has since owned the Murder to me and pleaded his being Drunk, which upon examining the witnesses I find was the case, the Man is confined and I wait you orders what to do with him, there are not Officers sufficient here to try him by Martial Law & I believe this Place is out of the Jurisdiction of the Quarter Sessions.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant
Richd. Fairfield.

Masulipatam
15th. October 1762.

N°. 125.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your Favours of the 12th. & [. . .] and agreable to your orders have remitted Mr. Dolben [ten thou]sand Pagodas (10000)

as an advance of 25 p^{r}. C^{t}. [. . .] Contract & four hundred (400) Pagodas [. . .] Merchants promise to exert themselves & to have ready for the January dispatch.

Long Cloth	ordinary	...	...	...	...	...	144 Bales
ditto	Midling	...	...	...	...	...	40
ditto	fine ...	...	...	...	...	...	16
							200 Bales

but considering how late it is in the season I can hardly flatter myself it will be ready in time to be all Washed there will also be ready here 4200 Peices of Chay Goods.

I have long laboured under a bad state of Health which I was in hopes the Cold Season might have relieved me from but as I find it has encreased my chief Complaint I am under the Necessity to request leave to resign this Chiefship & I shall esteem it a very particular Favor to have my Successor sent as soon as possible.

I am with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Serv^{t}.
RICH^{D}. FAIRFIELD.

MASULIPATAM
1st. NOVEMBER 1762.

N°. 126.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

This waits on you with the Monthly Accounts of October in which you will observe I have credited Account Current Fort S^{t}. George for the four thousand (4000) Pagodas advanced M^{r}. Whitehill by the Commissary General that all the Expences on Account of the five Circars may appear in one compleat Account.

I am with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servant
RICH^{D}. FAIRFIELD.

MASULIPATAM
6 NOVEMBER 1762.

N°. 127.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I have been favoured with your Letter of the 18th. Instant with your Observations of the different Cloths sent by the Brittannia & shall use my utmost endeavors to make the Merchants improve the Manufactures agreable to your Directions.

The Twenty thousand Pagodas (20000) dispatched the 27th. Ultimo on account the Investment has been received.

Inclosed wait on you the Accounts of this Settlement for last Month.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servt.
Charles Turner.

Cuddalore
26th. October 1762.

N°. 128.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Agreable to your Orders of the 10th. May requiring an annual Account specifying the Quantity of Cloth ordered the Quantity sent, and the reasons why they are not complied with now waits on you and hopes they will prove satisfactory.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient hum[ble Servant]
[Charles Turner.]

Cuddalore
2d. November 1762.

The Investment Ordered to be provided at Cuddalore by the President & Council of [Fort] St. George for the Year 1762 with the reasons why their orders could not be complied with.

	Quantity ordered. Peices.	Sent. Peices.	Deficient. Peices.
[Betelas] of 40 or 50 Covids			
[lon]g and 27¼ Broad	500	...	500
[Lo]ng Cloth fine	1,000	...	1,000
Lo[n]g Cloth Sheally...	7,000	810	6,190
Long Cloth Salem	6,000	180	5,820
Long Cloth Worriarpollam	6,000	930	5,070
Long Cloth Chinnamanaick	6,000	...	6,000
Long Cloth Midling Blue	15,000	1,590	13,410
Sallampores Midling	10,000	4,000	6,000
Soot Romalls	7,000	...	7,000
	58,500	7,510	50,990

This Settlement and the Countries when the Cloth was formerly manufactured having been in troubles for these four or five Years past occasioned most of the Weavers to quit their former places of abode and go into other Countries for Protection is a reason why so small a part of the Investment has been sent, for the present dispatch. The Merchants have prevailed on some of Head Weavers within these few Days to return and have promises of more coming to their former Habitations shortly which will encrease the Manufacture for the January Dispatch.

Cuddalore, 2d November 1762.
Charles Turner.

N°. 129.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since writing to you under date the 6th. Instant whereof duplicate is enclosed we have received your Letters of the 21st. 22d. & two of the 24th. August by the Ships Tilbury & Drake which we have the Pleasure to inform you are safely imported.

By the Ship Chesterfield which left the River a few days ago we complied with your Indent for Packing Stuff, but Captain Duff having left Town without signing his Bill of Lading, it prevented our sending one of them by her; We therefore now enclose you one together with the Invoice of the same.

As we find upon Enquiry that the directing the Admiral Watson or Godolphin to call at your Presidency at this Season of the Year, wou'd greatly endanger their being damaged so as to prevent their proceeding [to the Cape] we have resolved without waiting for your Answer to our Letter of the 6th. to dispatch the Admiral Watson directly for [afterwards] the middle of next Month & the Godolphin a few Days [] . And

As we shall not [be able] to dispatch [all of] our Charter Party Ships this season including the Boscawen expected from Bombay we purpose sending one of them in the latter end of December or the beginning of January to Your Honour &ca. with 250 Tons of Salt Petre to be filled up by you for Europe; And on another we shall load what Store we may have for Fort Marlbro. to call and take in what you may likewise have for that Presidency and on her arrival there she may take in a Loading of Pepper & proceed to China.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt. humble Servants

P. Amyatt.

Warren Hastings.

W. Hay.

Fort William

September 23d. 1762.

N°. 130.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since addressing you last under date the 13th. Ultimo of which duplicate is enclosed, we have had the Pleasure of receiving your several favours of the 2d. & 3d. Septr. ℔ Hardwicke & 23d. Septr. ℔ Alla Dowlet.

We are concerned to acquaint you that it is not in our Power to assist you in the disposal of the large Quantity of Copper you already have & further expect to receive, by the ships of this season as it bears hardly any price here at present.

We request [you w]ill please to advise us as speedily as possible of the Expences that stands on the Books of [your] Presidency to the Debit of our Honble Masters [on account] the Negrais, as we have some hopes of setting on foot an Expedition against the Burmahs which if it takes place & proves successfull we shall demand reparation for.

We are, with Esteem
Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. Servants
Henry Vansittart.
P. Amyatt.
W. McGwire.
Warren Hastings.
W. Hay.
H. Watts.

Fort William
the 11^{D}. October 1762.

N°. 131.

To the Hon̄ble George Pigot Esq^{R}.
President & Governor &c^{A}. Council of Fort S^{T}. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

I herewith enclose final Accounts for my Batavia Expedition & flatter myself they will be favorably received having been as frugal in my Management as I could. They are also accompanied by Copy the Letter & Protest the General refused to receive on my quitting Batavia; what I wrote to Fort Marlbro̅ during my Employ, Copys of what I wrote your Honor &c^{a}. Council ℔ Elizabeth Snow as she is not arrived, with the Plasseys dispatches & every Paper which I think is necessary to lay before you to the finishing my Commission, as ℔ List.

I also deliver 121 real ⅛ Gold valued as p^{r}. Acco^{t}. & the Assay Master of Batavia's Note of it's Goodness; one Bill of Exchange on M^{r}. John Calland for 250 Pagodas & another on Mess^{rs}. Baars & Camper of Negapatam. The former is the Dutch Resident at Cuddalore & as the Principal Agent I have addressed for Payment. He has protested the Bill on Account of a Vessell belonging to Charles Bourchier Esq^{r}. and others which is not arrived. He says he has advice of her being at Bombay & that if she comes up he will then discharge it, as the Gentlemen who drew [. . .] a large sum on respondentia on that Vessell, I [am] greatly concerned it has so turned out but as I know they are Men of Worth & Character am certain it will be discharged on sight when returned.

I have charged for my subsistance only as you were pleased to appoint me, but as they were not only insufficient for those purposes but many private Expences have arose which were unavoidable & by being obliged to return so suddenly I have been a considerable [sufferer] beg leave to submit the consideration thereof to [your] Honor &c^{a}. Council's Notice & enga[. . .] occasion.

The design of the General & Council at Batavia under the Pretence of sending for further Lights into the West Coast Depredations is evidently to amuse & Protact [*sic*] the time & not a desire of satisfying the sufferers, In my own behalf therefore as well as all those who are concerned in that Affair I most earnestly beg your Honor &c^{a}. Council will enable us to hope that Justice from

your Power which We have so long expected from them. The Ballance in Cash in my hand is P. [*lacuna*] at 2 R. Ds. ℔ Pagoda I herewith deliver & having nothing further to add remain with Respect.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your very obedient Servant
Randolph Marriotte.

Fort St. George
the 21st. October 1762.

To the Hon̄ble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

I dispatched the Fox the 6th. Instant & she sailed the day following Copy [of] the Captain's Orders which I then omitted is now enclosed, as is also second receipt for her Cargoe & an Invoice compleated as the difference between the Man I dealt with for the Planks I was so disproportioned to the value of them purchased by Messrs. Garden & Herbert, I then acquainted your Honour & Council of my intended Application to the General for redress 'tis very mortifying to one to acquaint you that in answer to my address Copy of which is under cover, the General sent me word that he had enquired of the Companys storekeeper who informed him that they was [*Sic*] reasonably charged to me for that the Company cou'd not sell them at 125 R.Ds. at less than 150, I was therefore obliged to pay the amount. Your Honor &ca. Council I hope will not greatly blame my not making a Contract before hand I thought the Shabander's word was sufficient security for me but I find there is no difference, therefore in future shall be more [cau]tions & trust to no one, the Shabander was so [. . . .] sition that before I applied to the General He offered to take off 200 or 150 R.Ds. but as I thought this not suffit. & the Extortion too glaring to pass I refused it and when the Bill was tendered me again nothing wou'd be abated after the Generals Decission. I have heard nothing more from the General &ca. concerning my removal & therefore shall not think of going if I am not forced to it till I have your Honor &cas. further directions if I do go it shall be directly to Madrass, the pretext of my stay is want of an opportunity & I fancy they will be satisfyed with it. I have wrote to Admiral Cornish of the farther Evasions they have found to avoid settling the seizures on the West Coast and likewise the absolute denial of the promise to Captain Tinker concerning relinquishing Nattall & Tappanooley, copy of my said Letter is under Cover. I am with Respect.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs
Your very humble Servant
Randh. Marriott.

Batavia
the 19th. of June 1762.

List of the Packet ℔ Elizabeth 1762.

No. 1 Duplicate Letter ℔ Fox dated 6th. June.
2 Invoice ditto ditto.
3 Copy of Captn. Hume's sailing orders.
4 Duplicate to the G[. . .] dated 21st. May.
5 Copy of . . . ditto . . . 7th. June.
6 Do. Letter to Admiral Cornish [. . .].
7 Letter to the President & Council of Fort St. George 19th.
8 List of the Packet . . . . . 19th.
9 Receipt for the Fox's Cargoe.

Batavia the 19th. 1762.

COPIES OF TWO FROM MR. RANDOLPH MARRIOTT TO ADMIRAL CORNISH.

TO SAMUEL CORNISH ESQR.

REAR ADMIRAL OF THE WHITE AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF HIS MAJESTY'S FLEET IN INDIA.

SIR

I think it my Duty to [. . .] Majesty's Ships the [. . .] the 9th. of April & went down the streights where they lay till the 30th. when they were joined by the Cornish Snow on board wch. was Mr. Hunter & sailed for Bombay; the Panther when she had got refitted came from Onroost & lay in this road for the recovery of her Men who died very fast, at the former place they lost near seventy Men but I believe they got by English Deserters from hence & some they took from Dutch ships near their Compliment; they sailed for the West Coast of Sumatra the 17th. of last Month; & I have heard nothing of them since. I was directed by the President & Council of Madrass to demand satisfaction for the unjust seizures the Dutch had made of the several Vessells & Properties of the Gentlemen in the Honble Companys service on the West Coast of Sumatra, for some years past; Many times they have applied for redress on this Head but never cou'd gain any thing but evasions. The Letters I brought with me two Months ago, & some since from Bengall told me peremptorily they wou'd, if my Application was fruitless request that you Sir wou'd see us righted, I according to my Instructions applied; and in order to represent the Affair in as forecable a manner as I cou'd told them, I know the Gentlemen of Madrass & Bengall were [fully] resolved to do as they had told his Excellency [&] the Council, & beg'd they wou'd maturely weigh the consequence of a refusal, this the General has looked upon as a Threat from me, and as he writes You will probably represent it in a different Light to what it was; excuse me therefore Sir if I send you a Copy of the Letter & I flatter myself you will judge from it I have not been wanting in my respect or exceeded my Instructions I will add nothing more after assuring you if I have err'd it has been through zeal for my Countrys right & not with design to disgust them as I have made it a point to be conformable to the Government which is established here. His Excellency returned me my Letters & Papers but there are Copies kept of them & He assured me the [. . .] shou'd be considered, I shall have the opportunity [. . .] of the determination as a Vessell will sail for the Coast in about 14 days. It is likewise resolved in Council that no Companys Agent shall reside here as I shall therefore be deprived of all means of being farther serviceable either to you sir or the Company must return to Madrass by the first opportunity. I have little to inform you as to Intelligence, at present Two ships supposed English China Men were seen off this Place bound to the Eastward about the 20th. Ultimo but as the Account came to me after they were passed I had no opportunity of sending to see what they were. From Europe two Dutch ships are just entered the streights but the only news that has yet transpired is that Prince Ferdinand has raised the seige of some Place & beat the French Forces that War continues as hot as ever & no prospect of Peace the last account from the Cape say four of his Majesty's ships were then there.

I am with respect.

SIR

Your very humble Servant

RANDOLPH MARRIOTT.

BATAVIA

6TH. JUNE 1762 ℔ FOX.

To Samuel Cornish Esq^r^.
Rear Admiral of the White and
Commander of his Majesty's Fleet in India.

Sir

I had the Honor to address you [. . .] Capt^t^. Alexander Hume under date the 6^th^. Instant who sailed the day following. Under cover is copy of my Letter by that Conveyance as also of an address to the General which I took the Liberty of enclosing the better to Ellucidate the subject I wrote on. The Matter relating to the Vessells seized is still to be protracted for I am told by the Shabander the resolution his Excellency and the Council came to, was to send to Padong for farther Lights. This proceeding sufficiently justifies my terming it protracting as the Governor & all the Council of the [. . .] concerned in it (saving one) are either [. . .] besides there can be no great Point [. . .] full state of the Case must have been sent some years ago (at the first & after received) or certainly the General & Council here then would never have approved these proceedings (one of those Vessells was sold here) and as these Councils must still be on record, the only place they can with Propiety [*sic*] apply to, is evidently those Vouchers & then the General & Council must either confirm or disannul the former Proceedings. Commodore Tinker told me Publickly the General had absolutely given his word. Nattall & Tappanooley should be delivered to our Company & likewise that this Affair shou'd be scrutinized & finally settled; both these promises he denies, the latter indeed he seems to enquire into but plainly shews he is resolved to go on in the Tract [*sic*] of his Predecessors that is in starting Difficulties which might if they were sincere be easily dissipated, My free Opinion of these proceedings may perhaps be taxed as too peremptory. But when it is considered The Character of Captain Tinker & in what station he acted whilst at Batavia it wou'd be the height of presumption to imagine he wou'd say any thing so contrary to truth; It is greatly to be regretted. He did not whilst he had the Power in his Hands desire the General & Council to give him these promises under their Hands in writing when they wou'd have had no Evasions or Pretext whatever which is no the[*sic*] [. . .] is the Characterestick [*sic*] of their Proceedings at [all] times. I shou'd have advised you Sir in my last of their Resolutions which I had but a very short time before the Fox was under dispatch I did acquaint the President & Council of Madrass therewith & flattered myself you wou'd pardon the omission as I doubt not but they wou'd take care to make it known in a proper light; sickness will also I hope plead greatly in my behalf as I've scarcely known a thorough well day since I have been here. Nothing concerning Naval Affairs has occurred since my last only [the] dispatch of the ships with stores &c^a^. for the several [settlements] of the Netherlands Company on the Malabar [. . .] Coasts &c^a^. one of them sailed two days ago, another will go tomorrow both for the Coast and are very deeply Loaded, they talk indeed of expecting eleven French Ships from the Mauritius but their Foundation for it must be very Vague.

I am with great Respect
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
Randolph Marriott.

Batavia
19^th^. June 1762.

Copy of Captain Humes Sailing Orders from Batavia.

To Captain Alexander Hume
Commander of the Fox.

Sir

You are hereby ordered and directed (Wind & Weather permitting) to weigh your Anchor & make the best of your Way to Fort S^t^. George, where on

your arrival you will deliver the accompanying Packet as well as the Cargoe consigned on your ship to the Honble George Pigot Esqr. President & Governor &ca. Council there. I wish you a safe & speedy Passage & am

SIR

Your very humble Servant
RANDOLPH MARR[IOTT.]

BATAVIA
6TH. JUNE 1762.

COPY OF A LETTER FROM MR. RANDOLPH MARRIOTT [TO THE] GENERAL & COUNCIL AT BATAVIA.

TO THE RIGHT HONBLE PETRUS ALBERTUS VANDER PARRA
GOVR. GENERAL FOR THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIA COMPANY
& PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF BATAVIA.

RIGHT HONBLE SIRS

When I had your Excellency's Grant for the purchase of a Cargoe for the Fox on Account the Honble English East India Company, being an entire stranger to the Methods proper [. . .] those Articles, I asked the Shabanders advice [. . .] Mr. Heyser a Burgher of this Place [. . .] me as well & as reasonably as any body, On this Gentn. word I therefore employed him but must confess never was treated worse in every respect for he not only by delay detained the ship near 14 Days longer than she need, but would not comply with his contract & now charges several of the Articles at a most exorbitant rate, as appears not only from Mr. Herbert's List of Purchases, those things but from the words of every one who has seen his Bill. As the Shabander was a kind of Guarantee for his behaviour, I waited on him but as he only offered an abatement in a Lump of 200 or 250 R.Ds. I have refused to discharge it & he has sent a Notary to Protest against my refusal. Your Excellency must be sensible as a true & faithfull servant to my employers, I cannot consent to see them so grossly imposed on & therefore think it my duty to lay my complaint before your Excellency in order to get redress I have subjoin'd a list of his Prices, which I think Extraordinary for your Excellencys Notice and your Commands on this subject shall be implicitly obeyed by.

RIGHT HONBLE SIR

Your most Obedient servant
RANDOLPH MARRIOTT.

BATAVIA
7TH. JUNE 1762.

Mr. Heysers Bill		R.Ds.	purchased by Mr. Herbert	...	I've offered to pay
Plank of 1 Inch.	@	125 ℔ 100	@ 45 ℔ 100	...	50 ℔ 100
... 2 ...		200 Do.	135 ℔ Do.		145 ℔ Do.

[TO MR. JAMES BURNET] AT BATAVIA.

As the General & Council will not allow me to continue here any longer in Quality of Agent for the English Company & they have a large Quantity of Timbers Plank salt & sugar Candy remaining which cannot be carried away for want of shipping. In their behalf I must desire you will take charge thereof & if any opportunity offers you will send part or all those articles by

a good Conveyance to Fort Marlbro. The Plank &c^{a}. are under the Charge of Key Boppeen a China Man whose acknowledgment of having those Articles I leave with you and as he [. . .] R.D^{s}. ℔ Ma. (& is paid to primo July) for his care & as the [. . .] a Warehouse which pays 190 R.D^{s}. ℔ Ann^{m}. I likewise deliver you 500 R.D^{s}. to defray those and incident Charges which may happen. The General has given me Liberty to hire Vessells to carry away the Salt & Timbers if you can get Chinese to undertake it in Praws you may agree for one that will carry 50 Coy^{n}. 500 & in proportion for smaller Quantities and if Praws of about 20 Coy^{n}. will go you may assure them as Encouragement that the Governor will buy them at a good Price if they choose to dispose of them & get Money on many little Articles they can carry.

I am
SIR
Your very humble Servant
RANDOLPH MARRIOTT.

BATAVIA
20TH. JULY 1762.

COPY OF A LETTER FROM M^{R}. RANDOLPH MARRIOTT TO THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR OF FORT MARLBRO.

TO THE WORSHIPFULL SAMUEL ARDLEY ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOR OF FORT MARLBRO.

WORSHIPFULL SIR

The Plassey has at length got out of River [tho]roughly repaired & in good Condition as will enable her to run [. . .] while without any [. . .] such heavy expences indeed [. . .] great want & tho the charges are high yet I believe it is [. . .]ed for the workman tho' slow has done his business [. . .] have provided and shall put on board [. . .] Loading but the General & Council is so [. . .]ting Batavia that I shall not be able to see [. . .] Bencoolen will be of no service to the Comp[any . . . .] hurting me I have resolved to go to Fort S^{t}. [. . .]patam & flatter myself this Resolution [. . .]tion of you Sir & the Gentlemen [. . . . .] Copies of all my Dispatches, Duplic[ates . . .] time to finish & hope there is no [. . .] the Vessells from hence have got [. . .] a Number in this Packet & hope [. . .]tance after leaving sufficient [. . .] I shall invest in Gold for Madrass, as the General will not grant me Bills, I have taken two on Mess^{rs}. Herbert & Stevenson for $ 1500 which I doubt not will be duely Honored, the 29th. Ultimo the Sea Nymph returned hither the Captain tells me he saw the Panther May the 21st. off Fortune Island & 3 days before he came in met the Fox who sent their Boat on board him who together with the Elizabeth Snow that sailed to the Coast the 19th. with some Dutch India Men were all laying off Bantam Wind bound the Northerly Winds & Currents have been exceeding rapid He says a most extraordinary Circumstance of this season in the year & it is confirmed by many other Vessells lately come in Capt^{n}. Forrest a private Trader was lost off Salayar the 27th. February. He & his people are every hour expected here.

The Dutch Letter from Padong I now return I can get no one to Translate them. It has not been in my Power to comply with the Indent I received I have through Mistake sent 6½ Leag^{s}. of Arrack more than I purposed and as to the other Articles they could not be taken on board had I put Timber & Plank she would have taken little indeed she is very full & hope you will be pleased with

her Cargoe as the most Material Articles go on her. Sugar I believe you will have enough & Rice I imagine the Fox brought ample supply [. . .] to be had Oil excessive dear The Salt lying here will be a heavy expence as well as the Timber & Plank for the former there is 190 R.Ds. ℔ Anm. Ware [. . .] the latter a Chinaman who has the care of it, is [. . .] ℔ Anm. I have asked of the General & it is granted to [. . .] to carry away both those Articles if possible I have [. . .] with Mr. Burnet to give for a Praw which will [. . .] portion to 50 Coyan Java 500 R.Ds. & the People are to [. . .] dispose of their Vessels at Marlbro & as they [. . .] articles for the Places supply I imagine there [. . .]namen to undertake the Voyage & it will be [. . .] some of that Nation from hence to settle at [. . .] Captain Hague's Bills which are enclosed [. . .] rent on Coach hire & House expenses are [. . .] those sums if you disapprove of them as his receipt will shew. He has signed two one I now send. The Plassey is so full that none of the Sugar Candy can [be] taken. Enclosed is Copy of a Letter & protest I tendered to the General concerning Nattall & Tappanooley which he has refused to receive alledging he had not time to Answer it. I desired Captain Hague to be present on this occasion that he might Vouch offering [it]. My reason for delaying it so long you will see in the Lette[r] & I [hope] it will meet approval as the delay cou'd have no ill effect & the Motive I think justifiable in my circumstances. News is Just ar[ri]ved by a Dutch China Ship that War was declared against Spa[in] the 21st. January this Ship left Portmouth the 23d. following as Capt[ain] Hague knows the particular occurrences I shall refer to him for the same as I go on Board early in the Morning I have finished the Pla[ssey] Loading & she will sail in a few days, the Sea Nymph is likewise [re]paired & will go with her. Enclosed is my Account & Captain [. . .] receipt for the Cargoe. I am

SIR
Your very humble Serva[nt]
RANDOLPH MARRI[OTT].

BATAVIA
21st. JULY 1762.

COPY OF A LETTER FROM MR. RANDOLPH MARRIOT TO CAPTAIN HAGUE OF [THE] PLASSEY.

To CAPTN. THOMAS HAGUE.

SIR

I have this Morning rec[eived . . .] Officer from Messrs. Forrest & Whiteway informs [. . .] Prisoners on Board a Dutch Ship in this [. . .] going on was dispatched & the Captain [go . . .] General to know on what Account they [. . .] to the Shabander who informed me that [. . .] was just held to be freed & that [. . .] I must desire you will attend the [. . .] into this Affair & if possible [. . .]comm[. . .]

BATAVIA [. . .]
22D. JULY [1762.]

COPY OF A LETTER FROM MR. RANDOLPH MARRIOTT TO THE GENERAL AND COUNCIL AT BATAVIA.

To the Right Honble Petrus Albertus Vander Parra Governor General for the Netherlands East India Company President of the Council of Batavia and the Members of the said Council.

RIGHT HONBLE SIR & HONBLE SIRS

After the repeated requests I have made for continuing here till I could either go on an English ship to Madrass or wait the Honble Presidents Orders

for my future conduct, I shall cease troubling your Excellency & your Honors on that Head.

In the directions I received from my superiors at the Coast, they particularly recommended the recovery of the Honble English Companys Settlements of Nattall & Tappanooley on the West Coast of Sumatra to my Notice. Had I been so happy as to succeed I am convinced it wou'd be a mutual good for both Companys: But as his Excellency has told me it was referred Home to the States I can have no hopes any thing I can advance will induce your Excellency & your Honours to alter these Resolutions.

I have hitherto flattered myself the injunctions laid [for] me to be gone, wou'd not have been insisted on & therefore re[fra]ined from entering a Protest, at the detention of those two [. .]ents & rather expect from the Coast, or their positive [. . .] for my doing it that I might avoid giving offence in[. . .] Person, by a step which I knew would not be liked here [. . .] think I shall not perform my duty was I to quit the [. . .] it. Your Excellency & your Honors will therefore [. . .] me that I present You with one as the reason of its [. . .] longer subsists. I am with great deference

HONBLE SIR & HONBLE SIRS

[. . .] Your very obedient Servant
RANDOLPH MARRIOTT.

COPY OF MR. MARRIOTT'S PROTEST AGAINST THE GENERAL & COUNCIL AT BATAVIA.

WHEREAS the Honble United English East India Company were dispossessed of their Settlements of Nattall & Tappanooley by the French Forces under the Command of the Count de Estanges in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & sixty one, which said settlements of Nattall & Tappanooley was immediately occupied & is still kept by the Agent or Agents of the Netherlands East India Company, although they knew the said Settlements of Nattall & Tappanooley was the sole right & property of the said Honble United English East India Company.

AND whereas Claim has been made in & on behalf of the Honble United English East India Company by Captain Frederick Vincent Commander of the Ship Osterley at Padong by Blayden Tinker Esqr. Commodore of a part of his Britannick Majestys Fleet in India and also by Randolph Marriott Agent for the Honble English Company [at] Batavia, I Randolph Marriott do hereby to Protest against you The [Right] Honble [Petrus Albertus] Vander Parra Governor General & the Co[uncil . . .] as against the Netherlands East India Co[mpany . . .] Losses, costs or Charges which the said Honble [. . .] East India Company may sustain by the de [. . .] Settlements of Nattall & Tappanooley. Dated [. . .] this 15th. day of July 1762.

RANDOLPH [MARRIOTT.]

WITNESS

RT. JACKSON.
THOS. HAGUE.

N°. 132.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r^.

Gov^r^. & President &c^a^. Council of Fort S^t^. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

On receipt of [. . .] I ordered the Merchants [. . .] them with your Ins[tructions . . .] many days had [. . .] refusing to make such alterations in the terms as I could again accept to transmit to your Honor &c^a^. that it gave me a suspicion they acted in concert with the Bandarmalanka Merchants, I therefore wrote M^r^. Dolben acquainting him with my surmise & desiring he wou'd acquaint me with what might pass between him & his Merchants, as I wou'd him with what passed here, that so we might break the Combination; in his Answer to this he sent me a sketch of the Agreement he had just brought his Merchants too which I immediately communicated to mine & Insisted on their complying with it, but to no purpose they said they cou'd neither agree to furnish Cloths of the same Quality, or others for a proportionable Price, neither was it possible the other Merchants shou'd as a little time wou'd evince, far from being satisfied with this I tryed them seperately and endeavored to work upon their Fears by telling them that whoever did not comply wou'd lose the Company's employ for ever, notwithstanding all I cou'd do they still insisted they cou'd make no Agre[ement] upon those terms that the Bandarmalanka [. . .] agreeing to bring Ordinary Cloths of 16 Punj^ms^. [. . .] of 24 Punjums was a peice of Deceit as they neither [. . .] nor cou'd bring any Quantity of those Cloths, but that [. . . in]vestment must very near consist wholly of the 3^d^. & 2^d^. Numbers; [. . .] having it in my Power to do otherwise, after much time lost & in[. . .] trouble I brought the Majority (though not the whole) to agree [. . .] terms enclosed, which your Honor &c^a^. will observe do not differ [. . .] from those received from Bandarmalanka in proportion to [. . .]tys & it was with the utmost difficulty I brought them [. . .] this respect so near to the tenor of your Instructions [. . .] I likewise brought them to consent that in Case your [. . .] shou'd not be satisfied with their Proposals they shou'd [. . .] for the Cash which I advanced them some time [. . .] your Honor &c^a^. final orders on that Head [. . .] the Investment, conformable to the Ban[. . .] which I thought was better than to [. . .] agreed to it as it wou'd be difficult [. . .] again, on condition if your Honor [. . .] they shou'd be paid for it agreeable to the terms now offered, this will amount I believe to upwards of one hundred & fifty Bales which I hope to get ready to send you in January.

I am extreamely sorry so much trouble has been given your Honor &c^a^. on this Account, I can faithfully assure you no endeavors of my [*sic*] minee has been wanting to promote the Honble Companys Interest in it & that neither I nor any of my People have directly or Indirectly reserved any Perquisites but that the Merchants have been given to understand from first to last that all former considerations of that kind were abolished.

I am with the greatest Esteem

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient & most Obliged

humble Servant

Tho: Heath

Vizagapatam

1^st^. November 1762.

N°. 133.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your favor of the 12th. Inst. with [. . .] of Packing stuff shipp'd on board the Chesterfield has [. . .] comparing it with the Quantity landed here by [. . .] a deficiency of sixteen Gunneys & 6 Maund eight [een pounds of rope . . .] which shall be forwarded to you by the first good [Conveyance].

The Accounts of this se[ttlement for the month] of October now wait on you.

I remain with [respect]
Honble Sir & Sirs
Cuddalore [Your most obedient humble Servant]
21st. November 1762. [Charles Turner.]

N°. 134.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council at [Fort St. George.]

Honble Sir & [Sirs]

[*a few lines lost.*]

Cloth remaining in the Warehouse which the Merchants are willing to let the Company have at the same abatement as is made by the Merchants at Madrass, some of it is short of Measure & the rest turned out for its badness of which a part of it I think may be taken in at a proper abatement.

As the Paymaster to the Cantonments has large advances made out of Cash to defray his Employ & a Quantity of Cloth come in lately I shou'd be glad on an advance of thirty thousand (30000) Pagodas as soon as convenient for the use of the Settlement. I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Cuddalore Your most Obedient humble servant
29th. November 1762. Charles Turner.

Account of turned out Cloth remaining at Cuddalore 29th. Novemr. 1762.

Long Cloth fine	105 Peices
Long Cloth [Salem]...	425
Long Cloth Sheally	165
Long Cloth Chinnamana pr.	150
[Long Cl]oth Worriarpollam	865
[Sa]lampores Midling	1610
	3320 Peices

Charles Turner.

[N°. 135.]

[To the Honble] George Pigot Esqr.
[President & Gover]nor &ca. Council [of Fort St.] George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The present serves to forward to your [. . .] Accounts of this settlement for the Months of Augt. [. . .] they shou'd have been sent you long since, had [. . .]ed incapable of doing any Business for near [. . .] by a severe Indisposition.

I am with the greatest Esteem
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. & most Oblig'd hble Servt.
Tho: Heath.

N°. 136.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your favour of the 16th. three Principal Witnesses against Thomas Pew with their Depositions & the Prisoner shall set out in a few days on a Brigantine.

We had a very violent storm here the 1 Inst. which caused the River to break in upon the Salt Pans & has destroyed a great Quantity of the Salt. I have directed a strict Acct. to be taken of the Loss, which when compleated shall wait on you, it has also in a Manner levelled the Eathern [*sic*] Works about this Town and Damaged most of the Buildings, & carried away the Flag-staff & here is not a strick [*sic*] to be had here to [make] another.

The Monthly Accounts of this [settlement, for] November now wait on you & agreable to your Per[mission shall] deliver over the Charge of the Settlement [to Mr. Brickenden to] Morrow & set out for Madras.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servant
Richard [Fairfield.]

Masulipatam
5th. December 1762.

N°. 137.

To the Honble George Pigot Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am to [. . .] that since my recovery I have taken [. . .] Principal Merchants leaving [. . .] with those that remained to [. . .] the Bandarmalanka Proposed [. . .] they will agree to

bring [. . .] [pro]posals & the [. . .] they declare that the Weavers this Way cannot be brought to make any ordinary Cloth of 16 Punjums or fine Cloth of 24 Punjums they therefore hope that your Honor &c^{a}. will be pleased to dispence with their agreeing to make any of those kind of Cloths; it is not much to be doubted but they [*sic*] rest of the Merchants will likewise agree to the same terms when they find there is no Remedy, consequently the Investment will go on without further interruption; notwithstanding every thing that has happened I hope yet to send your Honor &c^{a}. two hundred Bales in January.

Not having as yet received any reply to mine of the first November I enclose your Honor &c^{a}. Duplicate thereof likewise the Journal Parcels & Cash Account for the Month of October.

I am with the greatest Esteem
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^{t}. & most Obliged hble. Serv^{t}.
THO: HEATH.

VIZAGAPATAM
[5] DECEMBER 1762.

[N°. 138.]

[TO THE] HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
[PRESI]DENT & GOVERNOR &C^{A}. COUNCIL [OF] FORT S^{T} GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your favor of the 8th. Instant has [. . .]ved a due regard shall be paid to your Directions [. . .] the turned out Cloth, the thirty Thousand Pagodas [. . .] by Peons is arrived, Enclosed are the Acc^{ts}. of this [Settlement for] last Month.

I remain with respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obed^{t} Humble Servant
CHARLES TURNER.

[CUDDALORE]
[20TH. DECEMBER 1762.]

[N°. 139.]

[TO THE HONBLE GEORGE] PIGOT ESQ^{R}.
[PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR] &C^{A}. COUNCIL [OF FORT S^{T}. GEORGE.]

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

[I have the honour] to advise you of my arrival here [on the 12th. inst^{t}. and took from M^{r}. Brickenden] the charge of the Settle[ment]. M^{r}. Fairfield in Consequence of the Permission your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. were pleased to grant him left this place for [Mad]rass the 6 Instant.

I am with Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your very Obed^{t}. humble Servant
JOHN PYBUS.

MASULIPATAM
15TH. DECEMBER 1762.

N°. 140.

To the Honble Geo[rge] Pigot Esq[r].

President & Govern[or] &c[a]. Council of Fort S[t]. George.

Hon[ble] Sir & Sirs

This waits on you by a Armenian Vessel bound for Madrass by which Opportunity I have sent the Prison[er Mr.] Thos. Pew with the three principal [evidences] against him [depo]sitions come enclosed. By this Conveyance likewise [. . . Euro]peans who deserted from the Neighbouring Rajahs [. . .] and were sent hither by Mr. Heath [. . .], the same service in June last, and has [. . .]. I was unwilling to entertain the People [. . .] settlement as in such case it has I'm informed [. . .] that they have gone off again soon after & seduced [. . .] them– and to suffer them to continue here [. . .] be attended with the same bad effect. I [. . .] to take this opportunity of sending them an [. . .] the Master of the Vessel for 4 Fanams ℔ [*a few words lost*] they are on board. The Witnesses agains [. . .] advanced 24 fanams each to furnish [. . .] for the Passage, Inclosed is a List of [. . .]

Mr. Fair[field] [. . .] 5th. instant of the violent Gale of [. . .] 1st. That great quantities of Salt [. . .] [consi]derable damage to the [. . .] of the former now waits on [. . .] I can get I hope [. . .] commend the [. . .] Favor is shewn him will not be able to [pay his] rents and must be ruined. I have repaired the dam[age] done to such Buildgs. as are occupied by the Company [&] Bridges leading from the Town to the Pettah by the works towards the river are entirely carried [on] & those round the other part of the Town are entirely [. . .] I shall do nothing to them without your Order. I am preparing an Estimate of the Expence that will attend [in putting] them in a tolerable state of defence again which [when] compleated shall be transmitted for your determination.

The [Chay] Goods contracted for at this settlement are all brought in, altho' not yet washed & sorted but they will be in readiness to forward by any opportunity that may offer after the 10th. of next Month; The Merchants have a few Corge of the different Assortments on hand more than were contracted for, & of equal Goodness with those they have [deliver'd] which I will receive from them if it meets [with your] Honors &c[a]. Approbation I expect daily to hear from [. . .] in what forwardness his Investment is of which [*a few words lost*] will be advised accordingly.

I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient hble Servant
John Pybus.

[Masulipatam]
22d. Dec. 1755.

[. . .] sent on Board Beethla Chay.
[. . .] Smith } Evidences against Thos. Pew for Murder.
[. . .] Guards }
[. . .] Pew for Murder.
[. . .] came to this Garrison the 9th. June 1762.
John Pybus.

[. . .] Back Service.
[. . .] Mr. Heath from Vizagapatam.

An Estimate of the damage done the Salt Farmer [.....] by the Storm which happened there the 1st. Instant. Salt lost 750 Candys which @ 27 8 ℔ Cy. [. . .] Deduct from it the follows. Vizt.

Charges on Making by Computation	2250	[. . .]
Wastage of the above Quantity of 5 ℔ % supposing it wou'd have been 2 Months before it cou'd have been disposed of 37½ Cays. @ Rs. 27½ ℔ %	1031	4 [. . .]

Loss on the Goods they wou'd have reced. from the Lambardy People in exchange for their salt w^c . being always ever valued there is a Loss upon them on a Medium of about 15 ℔ % supposing that ⅔ of the value of this salt had been reced. in Goods the Amount wou'd have been R^s. 13750 15 ℔ % thereon is . . . . 215 [. . . . .]

The real Loss of the Farmer by the late Storm on the estimation will be ... ... [. . . . .]

MADRASPATNAM

N°. 141.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. [GOV^R. & PRESIDENT] OF FORT S^T. GEORGE & THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL [ON] BEHALF OF THE RIGHT HONBLE ENGLISH EAST INDIA [COMPANY] AND TO THE COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have agreable to [your desire caused the bar] of Gold to be assayed which accompanied [your letter of the 24^th. of] last month & according to the accompanied [report of the] Assay Master it appears to be 19 Cart. 2¼ [grains full weight of w^ch. we] have kept one sample, & another [. . . .] of India according to your desire [the bar of gold] weighing now, Gold 120 27/32 is now returned you.

[T. Cantervicher] [. . . .].

NEGAPATAM [. . . .].

THE 10^TH. DEC^R. 1762. [H. Bonte] [. . . .]

J^S. HASELHAMP

TO THE HONBLE CHRISTIAN VAN TEYLINGEN [GOVERNOR] & DIRECTOR OF THIS COAST OF CHOROMANDEL [AND ITS] DEPENDENCIES.

HONBLE SIR

In pursuance of your respected orders I the underwritten have Assayed a Bar of Gold Marked N°. 4 & G. and which according to the Batavia Assay Note which accompanied the same dated the 15^th. July Anno 1762 signed J^a. Rakel should weigh Reals 121⅛ & prove on an Assay 20 Car^t. & I find it to be of 19 Car^t. 2¼ Gr^ns. and weighed as above 121⅛

Batavia of which 2½ Enj. to kept here ... ... $\frac{0}{32}$

The Bar now weighs ... ... 120 $\frac{27}{32}$

In which I hope I have complied with your Honors Intention & take the Liberty to subscribe (underneath).

HONBLE SIR

6^TH. DECEMBER ANNO 1762. Your most obed^t. & most hble. Servant

(Sign'd) J^S. V^N. FESSEL.

in the Margin

AGREE.

J^S. HASELHAMP

Sec^y.

[. . . .] N°. 4 & G Assay'd 19 Car^t. 2¼ Grains full W^t. [. . . .] 120 17/32.

NEGAPATAM THE 6^TH. DECEMBER 1762.

J^N. V^N. TESSEL.

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